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## Time ripe for peace, Mubarak tells Reagan

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28 (AFP) — Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak appealed here to President Ronald Reagan for Palestinian self-determination, Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon, and stopping Jewish settlements on Israeli-occupied Arab territories.

President Reagan told newsmen after talking with Mubarak that they were in "broad agreement" on the "critical issues".

Mubarak said: "A golden opportunity (for peace) exists and it would be a grave mistake to miss it."

He stressed that "though the time factor is crucial" in the Lebanese crisis, "top priority must be given to reaching an agreement on the withdrawal of Israeli forces."

Reagan did not announce any new initiative on Lebanon, but reaffirmed his commitment to support Lebanese independence and territorial integrity to the end. Therefore, "there must be early withdrawal of all foreign forces," he commented.

President Mubarak said, concerning the peace process, that he was encouraged by his contacts with King Hussein of Jordan and Palestinian leaders. Mubarak gave Reagan a message from Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) chairman Yasser Arafat.

Therefore, there should be a "U.S. move further in the direction of supporting the rights of the Palestinian people to self-determination," the Egyptian leader stressed.

He called the continued founding of Jewish settlements in Arab territories "a serious obstacle to peace." He said that Reagan agreed about that, but that "efforts must be exerted to bring about a total freeze of settlement activities."

## 3 Filipinos beheaded

RIYADH, Jan. 28 (SPA) — Three Filipinos were beheaded here Friday for robbing a shop and assaulting the owner and his brother. An Interior Ministry statement reiterated that the government was keen on preserving security and deterring criminals disturbing the country's peace and tranquility by implementing the tenets ordained by God.

The three Filipinos had assaulted a shopowner and his brother. When the victims fell on the floor, the assailants stole their money and fled. But the security forces managed to arrest them. During interrogation, the men confessed that they had committed the crime. Their confession was acknowledged by the Sharia Court.

The latter ruled that they should be beheaded by the sword on account of their heinous act. The Cassation Court and the Supreme Council of the Judiciary endorsed the sentence.

The verdict was approved by royal order and it was carried out publicly after the noon prayers.

## At Indira's behest India's ministers resign en masse

NEW DELHI, Jan. 28 (Agencies) — All cabinet ministers have submitted their resignations to Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, the Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency reported Friday, quoting two senior ministers. The resignations are in line with Mrs. Gandhi's reported plan to revamp her government and the ruling Congress Party.

On Wednesday Mrs. Gandhi, who is also party president, requested octogenarian party leader Kamlapati Tripathi to help her in discharging her party functions.

This was followed by the resignations of four of the five party general secretaries Thursday. The fifth secretary is at present out of the capital.

Tripathi took active charge Friday morning of the Congress Party organization at Mrs. Gandhi's personal request. *The National Herald*, the party's daily newspaper, said Tripathi "has been asked to look after the party work by party president Indira Gandhi on her behalf." He will be "the working president."

Mrs. Gandhi remained president of the Congress Party, which suffered humiliating defeats in two southern state elections earlier this month.

The losses in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka triggered turmoil within Congress ranks in neighboring Maharashtra state. Dissidents want a locally chosen replacement for Babasaheb Bhosale. Mrs. Gandhi's hand-picked chief minister, Tripathi said a decision would be taken "very soon" on the matter.

Mrs. Gandhi's moves came one month before elections for the Corporation and Council of Delhi. The purge could have a shock effect on an electorate which opinion polls indicated was likely to vote for the conservative opposition, observers said.

Apart from the prestige of controlling the administration of the Indian capital, the winner in next month's election would be very well placed to play a national role in the General elections in 1985, observers said.

Following Thursday night's moves, Mrs. Gandhi herself continued as party chairman and leader of its 10 million members. The party is the biggest outside the Communist world.

Kamlapati has now full powers to reorganize the party at all levels. There was speculation Friday that the chief ministers of the 14 states where the Congress Party has a majority might also be asked to resign. India has a total of 22 states.

According to a study by the conservative opposition, Congress has only won 30 percent of the vote in eight local elections since Mrs. Gandhi triumphantly returned to federal power in 1980.

But no other party did better than this, and the other votes were spread over regional parties and the conservative or Communist opposition parties.



Mrs. Indira Gandhi  
The Times of India commented that there was no national alternative to Mrs. Gandhi. (Observers said the decline of Congress was due to its lack of internal democracy and the presence of often incompetent and corrupt officials. The party has not voted to change its bureaucracy for ten years.)

## 30 die as blast destroys PLO center in Lebanon

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — A car bomb destroyed the Palestine Liberation Organization's security headquarters in the Eastern Lebanese town of Chitaura Friday, killing more than 30 guerrillas and Syrian soldiers. Lebanon's civil defense director said.

Nazih (hamoun told the Associated Press more than 30 bodies have been recovered from the rubble of the devastated three-story building on Chitaura's outskirts by nightfall, about six hours after bomb-laden car went off.

Hamoun said civil defense rescuers were digging through the piles of twisted iron and concrete for more victims, including an Armenian family whose screams for help could be heard from beneath the rubble.

Hamoun said he did not know why an Armenian family would be in a building that housed both the PLO and Syrian army security offices.

He said four people, including two Syrians, were recovered alive from the debris, according to reports he received from civil defense teams dispatched to the blast scene. Fifteen other persons, mostly Palestinians and Syrians were injured in the blast, he added.

Police in Beirut earlier said 17 Palestinian guerrillas were killed and more than 30 were buried in the rubble.

## Pakistan gets F-16s

ISLAMABAD, Jan. 28 (AFP) — The first six American-built F-16 fighter-bombers bought by Pakistan were officially turned over to the country's top elite airforce squadron in the presence of President Muhammad Zia Ul-Haq.

Pakistan is to receive 34 of the planes, each worth \$27.5 million, over the next three years, at a rhythm of two to three a month.

Pakistan is only the third non-member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to receive F-16s, a particularly advanced type of military plane equipped with the sophisticated AL-69 radar system of the U.S. Air Force. The two other countries are Israel and Egypt.

A U.S. Air Force spokesman commended Pakistani pilots here today for having mastered the F-16 after only a year's training at Fort Worth, Texas, when the Israelis took more than 14 months and others were still not capable of flying the plane safely after 20 months of training.

## Harrier for India

LONDON, Jan. 28 (AFP) — British Aerospace handed over the first Sea Harrier export model to the Indian navy.

In an ancient Asian ceremony of goodwill, Seetha Gupta, wife of the Indian naval adviser, smashed a coconut under the nose of the aircraft at BA's establishment at Dunsfold, Surrey.

Mrs. Sara Muhammad, wife of the Indian High Commissioner, then placed a garland of marigolds, specially flown in from Delhi around the nose of the aircraft. Test pilot John Farley performed a series of aerobatics in the Harrier.

## U.S. offers to drop 'zero option'

GENEVA, Jan. 28 (AP) — American and Soviet negotiators on the second day of talks on the reduction of intermediate-range nuclear missiles in Europe urged each other to come up with new proposals.

The United States made clear that it was prepared to retreat from its "zero option" proposal, calling for the dismantling of all Soviet missiles targeted on Western Europe in exchange for cancellation of plans to begin deploying 572 new American missiles in Europe in December. The chief U.S. negotiator, Paul Nitze, and chief Soviet representative, Yuri Kuznetsov met for three hours, but no details were disclosed, in accordance with an agreement to say nothing in Geneva about the course and conduct of the talks.

U.S. President Ronald Reagan in his State of the Union speech Wednesday said the U.S. is "prepared to carefully explore serious Soviet proposals." Nitze said on his return to Geneva Tuesday that the United States "certainly is not locked into" zero option and is "prepared to examine every kind" of Soviet offer that would protect Western security interests.

But the only Soviet proposal in sight was Communist Party chief Yuri Andropov's offer to cut back the number of Soviet missiles to 152, the level of French and British missiles. The proposal has been rejected by all the Western allies.

Kuznetsov shrugged and said, "I don't know" when a reporter asked whether an agreement might be reached by December.

The Soviet Union again accused the United States Thursday of blocking agreement at the Geneva arms talks and advised Vice President George Bush to use his forthcoming trip to Europe to search for "feasible conditions" leading to an accord at the talks.

In a report, leaked to Western news agencies in Moscow, analyst Alexander Malyskin said the "lack of new and constructive elements in the U.S. position" at Geneva "unquestionably makes it vulnerable politically."

Malyskin noted that "even" European conservatives had begun to attack the U.S. "zero option."

## Kingdom, UAE sign security pact

ABU DHABI, Jan. 28 (AP) — The United Arab Emirates announced the ratification of a joint internal security pact with Saudi Arabia, which contains a scorched-earth clause and provides for the extradition of hijackers and active revolutionaries.

A summary of the agreement, distributed by the UAE news agency WAM, said the scorched-earth clause applies to 12 miles (20 kilometers) inside the territory of either country.

It stipulated security forces participating in pursuit operations should carry only "light arms."

The agreement exempts political crimes from the extradition provision, but the exemption does not cover "hijacking of airplanes or other transportation means, military crimes, material assault on heads of state, crown princes and their kin, and government ministers."

The agreement was essentially the same as a prototype Saudi Arabia signed with the state of Bahrain in December 1981.

Saudi Arabia subsequently signed similar agreements with the Sultanate of Oman, the U.A.E. and Qatar.

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## Former U.S. Secretary of State interviewed

## Direct Arab-Israeli talks termed vital

By Jean Grant  
Alkhobar Bureau

ALKHOBAR, Jan. 28 — The importance of direct communications between both parties to the Arab-Israeli dispute was stressed here by former U.S. Secretary of State Edmund Muskie in an exclusive wide-ranging interview with Arab News.

Muskie, who was active in politics in America for 35 years, is now visiting the Kingdom on legal business as senior partner in an American law firm Chadbourne, Parke, Whitehouse and Wolff which is associated with the Saudi Arabian firm of Ismail Nazari.

"If both sides want peace, at some point they're going to have to talk to each other, and I'm sure both recognize it," Muskie said. "They must regard it as eventually inevitable. So it's a question of tactics and timing, when each feels that maximum advantage would be gained by dealing publicly on a point. If they don't talk before they achieve peace, then they are not going to talk after they achieve peace. What kind of peace is it between two countries if they can't talk to each other?"

Assessing the degree of American influence on Israeli policy, Muskie said that the superpowers can not impose their will on smaller countries. Russia, for example, hasn't dominated the Middle East, close as she is. Smaller states can take advantage of their very smallness to "twist the lion's tail," confident that the superpower will not attack them. Thus Menahem Begin takes a "perverse satisfaction" in pursuing inde-

pendent Israeli policies. "You can't buy a country's independence," Muskie said, "receiving foreign aid doesn't make the recipients vassals; otherwise they wouldn't accept it."

The American public is generally both skeptical and cynical about the country's aid program, and was so even before the recent economic hard times, but supports the aid given to Egypt and Israel regarding it as "an investment in peace."

Block voting of the non-aligned and Arab states at the United Nations merely increases Israeli rigidity according to Muskie. "If I were the prime minister of Israel and the United Nations automatically lined up against me every time no matter what the justice of my position, I would stiffen my back. The world would be better off. Israel would be better off, and the Arabs would be better off if that automatic division did not occur."

Muskie was pessimistic about prospects for peace which he sees as "dribbling away." He was equally pessimistic about America's power to contribute to peace.

"I suspect that like the Camp David process, any position taken by the U.S. would immediately lose," Muskie said. "We seem to be able to contribute to cease-fires and that's about it. In the Lebanese situation that's all we could achieve. But when it comes to constructive process to talk about problems that have to be resolved, certainly nothing has achieved as much as Camp David and that process has not concluded the job and apparently is now not likely to. I hate to say that, but one must be realistic."

"Until peace is so important and so urgent to both sides that it must be achieved at all costs, we will not get a process that will lead to that objective," he said. "When I observe the ingenuity of men and women, be it reasons why you can't sit in this room or that city, or around a round table or a square table, the ingenuity of people dreaming up reasons why they can't participate in this forum or that forum, when people raise questions like that, they are not yet sufficiently impressed with the urgency of peace to overlook petty, irrelevant, insufficient excuses for avoiding coming to grips with the subjects that must be dealt with if peace is to be achieved. I believe in this as deeply as I believe in anything at all," affirmed the former senator and secretary of state.

"It is just too easy to avoid the hard decision-making and hard concessions and hard risks, the deepest prejudice, hatreds and hostility that stand in the way of peace," Muskie explained. "It is easier to blame someone else and I find it strange the U.S. is accused more than any other even the Soviet Union, of blocking the road to peace. I get fed up with it," Muskie bluntly admitted.

When asked about former Presidents Ford and Carter urging the U.S. to talk directly with the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) (statement made in an airplane press conference while returning in October, 1981 after Sadat's funeral), Muskie replied that former presidents had more freedom to talk about public issues when they no longer held responsibility.

## As world economic order collapses, Islamic banking system plays safe

By Yehia K. Gouda

JEDDAH, Jan. 28 — Considerable headway is being made by the Islamic banking system due to its unparalleled safety and advantages according to Samir Abed Shaikh, general manager of Dar Al-Maal Al-Islami (DMI) for Saudi Arabia. He said that between July and December 1982, deposits in the Islamic Gulf Investment Company have averaged SR160 million every month.

With the international economic order collapsing amid currency depreciation and uncertainty over interest rates, Shaikh said that DMI shares which sold at \$105 per share until December of 1981 when the holding company was being established, immediately jumped to \$125 as soon as shareholders began to exchange their equity on December 6, 1982.

Shaikh said that the value rose within three days to \$133 and on January 25, 1983 the shares were rated at \$138. He said the increase is steady and that local economists predict a 500 to 700 percent increase in value within the next five years. Shareholders expect a profit of about 13 percent per year for a year-and-a-half when the returns are paid on June 30, 1983.

DMI is sponsored by Prince Muhammad Al-Faisal, owns and plans to set up Faisal Islamic Banks, local Islamic investment companies and Islamic insurance companies as well as other projects in almost every Islamic country and some Western countries. It also offers facilities to customers in the West. Deposit accounts, lending and financing activities are also open to non-Muslims as well, provided that they do not engage in any immoral activities.

"While sterling has lost nearly half of its value and interest rates on various types of bank accounts throughout the world have



Samir Abed Shaikh

tumbled to less than 9 percent, customers of DMI's subsidiary, The Islamic Gulf Investment Company, reap anything between nine and 21 percent per annum on a risk and profit sharing basis," Shaikh said. "they can be 100 percent sure that their money is used in clean transactions."

The major advantage of Islamic economics is that taxation is a great sin for Muslims. They are ordained to give away 2.5 percent of their earnings in whatever way dictated by their conscience and according to priorities recommended in the Holy Quran and by the Holy Prophet.

All free currency transactions of DMI are performed through Nassau, Bahamas; Saudi Arabia; the Netherlands, Antilles; Bern, Switzerland; and the principedom of Monaco; havens where no taxes are charged.

DMI Chairman Prince Mohammad Al-Faisal was opening a Faisal Islamic Bank in Nassau this month. An Islamic re-insurance trust is also planned there, under DMI's first Five-Year Plan, with \$50 million in capital.

DMI was formed by Indenture on July 27, 1981, under the laws of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas as a distinct legal entity, with an authorized capital of \$1 billion. Under the terms of the Indenture, all trust assets are held by the fiduciary custodian and investments are administered by the trust administrator, DMI SA, Geneva, a wholly-owned Swiss subsidiary. Operations of the DMI Group commenced on Jan. 1, 1982, and its total issued capital of June 30, 1982, was \$307,622,906.

Projects in Saudi Arabia include the financing of a complete poultry farm on a turnkey basis, housing 180,000 chickens and providing approximately 40 million eggs per year. The company will also finance the execution of a road construction project by a Saudi Arabian contractor by buying a fleet of tractors, loaders, motor graders and bulldozers and renting them to him with an obligation to purchase at a price giving DMI a reasonable margin of profit.

A major shopping center will be built on a 9,000 square meter site in Riyadh with DMI's prefabricated house project, a turnkey basis to be used by workers operating a major petrochemical complex in the Eastern Province.

Islamic clock project. One of the most spectacular DMI projects will be the financing of a joint-venture company to develop, produce and market Islamic clocks and watches that will automatically compute the local daily prayer time and indicate the direction to Makkah. The research has already been done in Europe and the watch will be manufactured in Japan. There will be a luxurious model and one for everyday use.

DMI also helps businessmen by participating in the equity of their projects, or simply in the equity of their working capital, with participation phasing out year after year until DMI completely withdraws. On June 30, 1982, DMI's overall transactions worldwide, in addition to other funds, covered 25 projects. As of Jan. 1, 1982, the income from managing such transactions amounted to \$12,400,000 per year. On June 30, 1982, funds under management had increased from Jan. 1, 1982, by 105 percent.

Local companies. DMI has already created or submitted proposals to set up local investment companies with \$10 million capital each. Islamic insurance companies with a similar capital, and Faisal Islamic banks with \$20 million capital each in more than 25 countries.

An ambitious recruitment and training program pledges to provide scholarships worth a total of \$10.5 million for students of the International Institute for Islamic Banking and Economics in the Turkish Federated State of Kibris. It also gave the institute \$3 million to commence its activities. The scholarships will be granted to 100 students from 11 countries where DMI is operating.

## Survey shows teachers need job incentives

RIYADH, Jan. 28 (SPA) — A teachers' poor income, the way society looks down on the teaching profession and the big burden of the job are the main reasons for reluctance to take up the position, according to a survey made recently by King Saud University. The survey involved about 15,000 educational experts and teachers, showed that more than 20 percent of Arab youth do not wish to take up teaching as a job.

The survey also proved that more than 60 percent of the teachers want to quit their job while 10 percent recognized they had willingly chosen the profession.

The survey showed that 30 percent of pre-

paratory and secondary school students wanted to become teachers and that the inclination stood at 42 percent among females compared with 16 percent among males.

The survey showed that about 20 percent of students at teacher colleges and institutes are unwilling to take up teaching as a future job and urged revising admission rules.

The survey also recommended an increase in teachers' salaries and increments and a better chance for promotion.

It called for a wide-scale campaign by education ministries and specialized bodies to enhance the positive aspects of the job among teachers and the would-be teachers since reluctance to practice the profession emerged

from psychological and material reasons.

Improving current curricula and encouraging high grade students to join teachers' institutions will bring moral and material respect to the teaching profession, the survey showed.

The survey urged ensuring living facilities to teachers, raising their academic standard and launching a campaign to highlight the teacher's role in building up a good society and achieving progress to the whole country.

## Crime, security course begins

RIYADH, Jan. 28 (SPA) — A crime security course organized by the Institute of Criminal Evidence and Public Security began here Friday and will continue for six months. Intermediate school graduates who complete the six-month course will graduate as sergeants. The course is offered as part of efforts being made by the Public Security Department to train qualified personnel to carry out technical work in the field of security and crime.

## Several Saba development projects underway

SABA, Jan. 28 — A number of development projects are being carried out here according to Governor Saud Abdul Aziz Al-Miteb.

Mitch told Okaz that these projects include asphalted streets, building vegetable and meat markets at cost of SR4 million and a

SR3 million public garden.

A mosque is under construction which is expected to cost SR2.5 million and a model secondary school costing SR7 million. A committee from the emirates, the municipality, the court and police has been formed to study the cases of land applicants.

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## Basic set-up, production promotion needed

# Kingdom's industrial policy explained

JEDDAH, Jan. 28 — Saudi Arabia has a concentrated and defined policy for industrialization which is based on the economic structure of the country and on the preparation of primary requirements for development according to Permanent Undersecretary for Industrial Affairs Dr. Faud Abdul-salam. The official told *Okaz* that the primary requirements for development are the establishment of basic set-ups and the promotion of production potential in various sectors.

Industrialization did not arise from a vacuum because it was an operation determined by available resources, relative characteristics and the size of the market," Dr. Abdul-salam explained. "This is so because the final objective of developing the Kingdom's economy is to achieve balanced growth in various sectors accompanied by the promotion of the abilities of human elements, diversification of sources of income and reduction of dependence on one source of resources."

"The Kingdom adopted an industrial policy which clearly points out a framework of principles of the free economy," he said. "This provides encouragement for the private sector to invest through the creation of a suitable environment for such investment and the provision of direct and indirect incentives for national and foreign capital."

Dr. Abdul-salam said that this policy also provides initiatives which enable the use of

general capital to make a direct contribution in conjunction with specialized international companies and the national capital in order to establish basic industries which depend upon the hydrocarbon resources of the country that require large complicated technological investment and a longer time for preparation, implementation and the realization of profits.

Regarding incentives, Dr. Abdul-salam said that the Kingdom's incentive to private capital covers a set of guidelines rarely available in other states whether this is in their diversifications and size or in their coverage of various projects.

Such incentives, he said, start right from initial stages of identifying and studying a project when assistance is provided for investors to prepare marketing research and the economic viability of projects likely to realize reasonable profits.

Other incentives at that stage include provision of easy loans with small interest, permission to use government land in industrial areas for nominal rent and supply of necessary electric power at subsidized rates.

"During production stages of the project, the government provides custom exemptions for equipment imported for the project and institutes customs protection for the products while giving them priority in government purchases," Dr. Abdul-salam explained.

"This is in addition to other facilities which

include direct government involvement in the training of Saudi Arabian manpower."

Government incentives are not applied without discrimination because assistance is planned for production units which have self-support, he explained. Protection is provided for cases which really require such incentives through increasing customs rates to a degree that ensure the competitive status of local products but does not allow for their monopoly to cause a decline in the standard of performance in industry.

"We do not establish industries to boast about them, because we know ourselves and what we are doing," the official said. "Similarly we do not take up projects which are incompatible with our potential, natural, material and human resources because we are fully aware that our industry should be based on an agreed economic basis in order to last and survive competition from within and without."

Government consolidation of these projects, is being attempted with a number of specialized credit establishments set up such as the Industrial Development Fund and the General Investment Fund for electrical and industrial fields. Dr. Abdul-salam said area industrial departments and the Saudi House for Consulting Services provide assistance and facilities for those concerned. He added that free-interest loans provided in 1980-81 reached more than SR100 billion, which amounts to 94.6 percent of the total capital resources of these establishments. Dr. Abdul-salam disclosed that loans provided by the Industrial Development Fund for industrial projects by the private sector and electrical companies, exceeded SR40 billion during the period 1975-1981 which amount to 50 percent of the total cost of the projects.

The response of the private sector and foreign investors was very encouraging according to Dr. Abdul-salam.



(Photograph by Mohammed Ibrahim)

**WORKING HARD** : This boat yard worker is engrossed in his job of scraping the hull of a fishing boat hauled out of the water near downtown Jeddah. After the hull is completely scraped it is painted and then returned to the water to continue plying its trade. Despite many modern innovations in this field, including improved paint, there is still only one way to prepare the boat hull.

## SR400m allocated for power plans

JEDDAH, Jan. 28 — As much as SR400 million has been allocated to electricity projects in the Southern Province for the two years—1982 and 1983 according to director general of the United Electricity Company for the Southern Province Abdulrahman Al-Tuwaigari. *Al-Riyadh* reported.

Many electricity projects have been released for tenders, the Bisha Central Electricity Project being rated as the most important among them, Tuwaigari said.

He said the company has implemented expansion projects of the size of Central Electricity Projects in the southern area since its inception in 1981.

## Publishers show opening today

RIYADH, Jan. 28 — A number of publishing houses inside and outside the Kingdom will participate in the 15-day fifth book show which begins at the National Book House here Saturday.

The show, organized by the department of public libraries of the Ministry of Education, will be inaugurated by Education Ministry Undersecretary Ibrahim Al-Haji.

## Book store opening soon

JEDDAH, Jan. 28 — Books on ancient Arab and Islamic culture and specialized books in the fields of humanities, science, arts and literature will be featured in a large book shop to be inaugurated here soon. Dar-Al-Bayan Al-Arabi officials told *Al-Bilad* that they have signed contracts with the largest publishing houses in the world to provide them with books, magazines and periodicals.

## Saudi National Guard's housing project landscaping costs £6.4m

LONDON, Jan. 28 (LPS) — A new housing development for the Saudi Arabian National Guard near Riyadh is to be landscaped at a cost of £6.4 million.

Claimed to be one of the biggest landscaping contracts in history, the deal was signed in Riyadh between the French contracting firm Dimze of Paris and VEB Saudi Arabia, a company managed by the VEB Group of Hemel Hempstead in eastern England.

Between now and November, 1985, VEB will supply and plant 14,500 trees, 400,000

shrubs and a million ground plants as well as supplying and installing 644 kilometers of irrigation pipework.

In recent years the British firm has landscaped many important projects in the Middle East. These include the King Abdul Aziz Military College the Al Nasr Leisure Center and the Dubai Hilton in Dubai, forestry work in Abu Dhabi, public gardens and a pleasure park in Sharjah and many commercial and residential premises elsewhere in the United Arab Emirates.

## 65 Jeddah plants under construction

JEDDAH, Jan. 28 — The fourth phase of the expansion of the industrial zone here is nearing completion, *Al-Madina* reported. The work is to be completed by July.

Now under construction are 65 new plants, bringing the total number to 180 on a 3.5

million square meter area by the end of this year.

Studies are also underway for the establishment of 100 new factories so that the total number of factories may reach 350 by the end of the current Third Five-Year Development Plan.

## Educational, classroom jobs near completion

JEDDAH, Jan. 28 — Twelve educational projects, including building 27 classrooms will be carried out here within two months, *Al-Yom* reported. Abdul Rahman Al-Othman, director of girls education said that another eight projects, including 27 class-

rooms will be completed in the coming academic year. A national company has been awarded the project to build the intermediate college, within one month; accommodation and a garden will be added to the building.

## Girls social work training course begins Feb. 12

QATIF, Jan. 28 (SPA) — A two-week training session will start here Feb. 12 for girls working teaching and social fields. Around 80 girls working in kindergartens in the Eastern Province will join the course, which is intended to provide scientific and

modern training techniques for the trainees.

A two-week health exhibition will also be opened here late this month and includes booklets, photographs and paintings used to provide health education for the visitors.

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Asr (Afternoon)	3:46	3:43	3:14	2:58	3:23	3:50
Maghreb (Sunset)	6:09	6:06	5:37	5:21	5:45	6:12
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## Hussein hopeful of resolving Mideast issue

BRUSSELS, Jan. 28 (R) — King Hussein of Jordan told European leaders Thursday Middle East peace efforts were expected to come to a head over the next few weeks if nothing intervened to upset current progress, European diplomats said.

The king, who had talks in Brussels with European Community and Belgian leaders, did not spell out the reasons for his cautious optimism, they added.

Jordan is at the center of President Reagan's Middle East peace plan which sees the king negotiating on behalf of the Palestinians.

Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) leader Yasser Arafat is now in Aden where he is seeking the support of the PLO executive committee for a moderate response to the Reagan plan instead of the outright rejection demanded by hardline Palestinians.

Arafat met King Hussein in Amman recently to discuss the possibility of the monarch heading a joint Palestinian-Jordanian peace delegation.

The diplomats said the king, who had separate meetings Thursday with European Community President Gaston Thorn and Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens, called for a period of quiet diplomacy to ensure progress.

He said that any intervention, however well-intentioned, might hin-



HUSSEIN-MARTENS MEET: King Hussein and Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens (second from right) meet for talks in the Egmont Palace in Brussels Thursday.

der progress at a very critical time in efforts to achieve a lasting Middle East settlement, they added.

A Palestinian mandate for King Hussein to negotiate on their behalf would be a major advance for the U.S.-sponsored peace moves but the Reagan plan has been rejected by Israel.

The diplomats said a PLO deal with the king would allow the U.S. to press for a change in the Israeli attitude.

King Hussein arrived in Brussels Wednesday for a four-day visit. Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir will come to Brussels early next month.

## Wazzan, Arafat to view pullout

BEIRUT, Jan. 28 (AP) — Prime Minister Shafiq Wazzan indicated Friday he would visit Tunisia next week for talks with Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat on the withdrawal of PLO forces from Lebanon.

"We have received an official invitation from Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba to visit Tunisia along with our Foreign Minister Elie Salem," Wazzan told reporters. "I have been fit to accept the invitation at this stage."

Wazzan said his military adviser, Brig. Gen. Nabil Kuraitem, was leaving for the Tunisian capital Friday to discuss with PLO leaders a program for the PLO withdrawal.

Wazzan said he would meet with Arafat and other Arab and Palestinian officials to "make certain that Lebanon's interests are ensured."

Arafat has set up his headquarters in the Tunisian capital since his evacuation from Beirut.

Lebanese newspapers said the Wazzan-Arafat meeting next week would finalize arrangements for the withdrawal of the PLO's remaining commandos in northern and eastern Lebanon within an anticipated plan for a pullout of all foreign armies from Lebanon.

## France ready to supply N-plant to Morocco

RABAT, Jan. 28 (R) — President Francois Mitterrand has said France would be ready in principle to supply nuclear plants to Morocco.

"France is at the disposal of its friends since it abides by international rules which you recognize as we do," the president, told King Hassan at a banquet Thursday night on the first day of his official visit to Morocco.

Last November, Morocco committed itself to observing the rules of the International Atomic Energy Agency and the nuclear non-proliferation treaty.

President Mitterrand said supplying French nuclear plants to Morocco would present no major problem. "Studies can be made. We can go by stages and take your interests into consideration."

King Hassan told a French radio interviewer this week Morocco would ask France to supply nuclear plants. He said the plants could be fueled with uranium extracted from Moroccan phosphates reserves which were enough to last 1,600 years.

Morocco has only very small oil deposits and spent 5.6 billion dirhams (nearly \$1 billion) on crude oil imports in 1981, or one quarter of total imports.

Mitterrand said it was essential that peace initiatives in the Middle East be complementary rather than oppose each other. Addressing parliament shortly after arriving on his first visit to Morocco Thursday, the president said Paris and Rabat did not have identical viewpoints on the Middle East issue, but they were close.

Referring to the peace plan adopted by the Arab summit in Morocco last autumn, President Reagan's peace proposals, and the Franco-Egyptian resolution in the U.N. Security Council, he said "it is essential that the initiatives be complementary and reinforce each other instead of being opposed."

Mitterrand declared it was necessary "to recognize and guarantee on an equitable basis the rights of the peoples and all the states in the area," and that "Israel must live within safe and recognized frontiers as the United Nations demand."

"The Palestinian people should be placed in a position to determine their own destiny," he added.

President Mitterrand said that in the "absurd and bloody" conflict between Iran and Iraq "every chance of mediation must be offered and I hope seized upon."

## Islamic court draft ready

ISLAMABAD, Jan. 28 (AFP) — Muslim jurists have completed a draft statute for an International Islamic Court of Justice to be discussed at an Islamic foreign ministers conference later this year, it was announced here Friday.

Pakistani Law Minister Sharifuddin Pirzada, who is also the chairman of the experts committee, said in a radio interview that the proposed court would comprise 13 judges serving a six-year term.

Asians, Africans and Arabs would be given equal representation, Pirzada said. He said the fundamental law applicable would be Sharia (Islamic) but the court could also take into account recognized principles of international law, multi-lateral treaties and conventions as well as bilateral treaties. The court would have its headquarters in Kuwait.

The decision to establish an International Islamic Court of Justice was taken at the third summit conference of the Muslim heads of state and kings at Taif, in January 1981.

It was intended to settle disputes between Muslim states and to mediate or conciliate between them.

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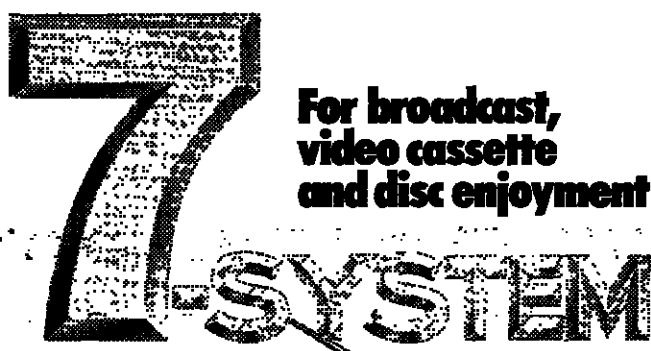
LAGOS, (R) — Nigeria has completed the withdrawal of its troops serving with the United Nations peace-keeping force in South Lebanon (UNIFIL), a military spokesman said Thursday.

BEIRUT, (AFP) — A delegation from the Socialist International arrived here Thursday on the first leg of a fact-finding tour that will take it also to Amman, Tel Aviv and Tunis. The delegation is headed by former Portuguese Premier Mario Soares, a vice-president of the Socialist International.

TOKYO, (R) — Japan is studying a U.S. request that it share the cost of the international peace-keeping force in Lebanon and will probably discuss it with secretary of state George Shultz next week, foreign ministry officials said Friday.

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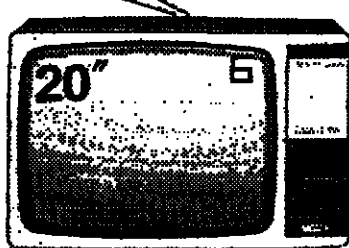


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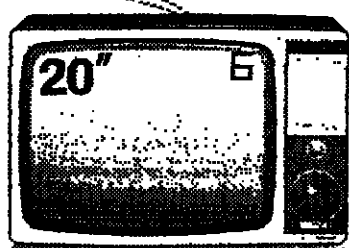
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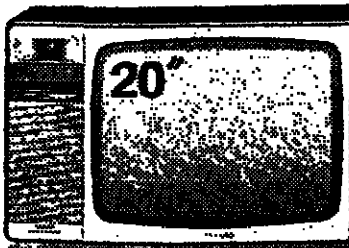
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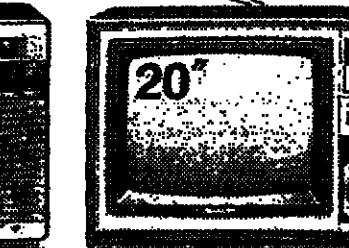
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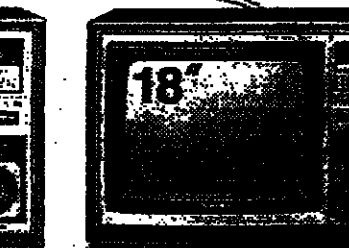
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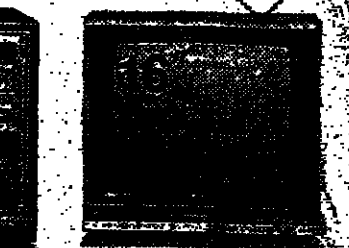
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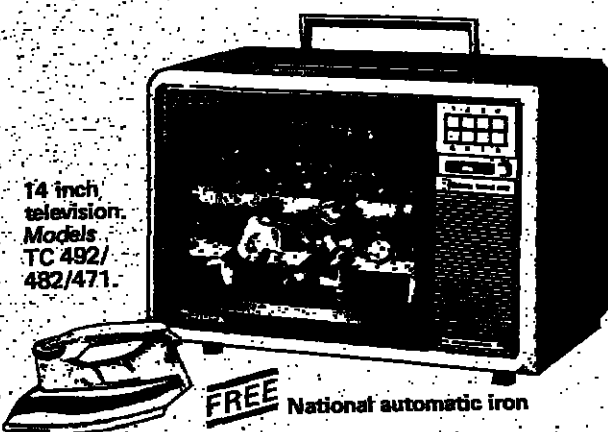
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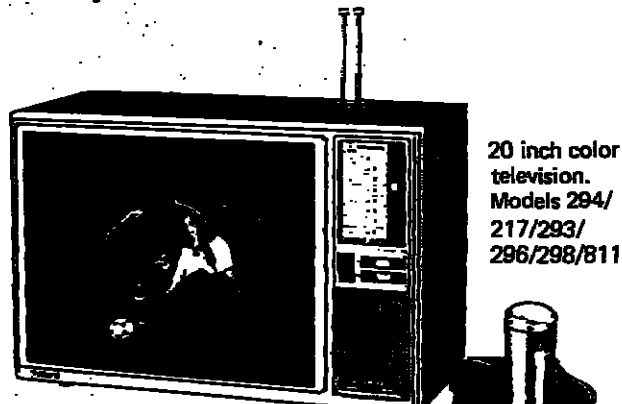


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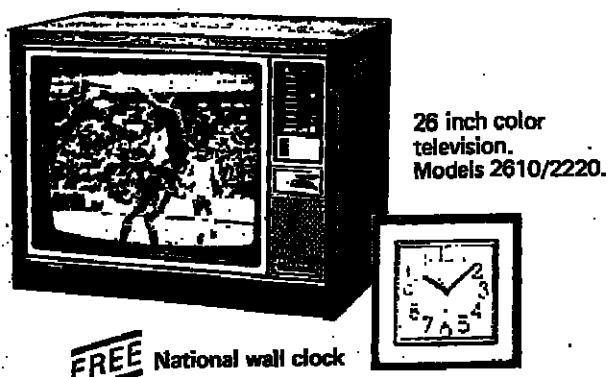
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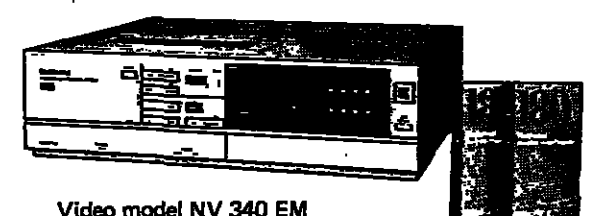
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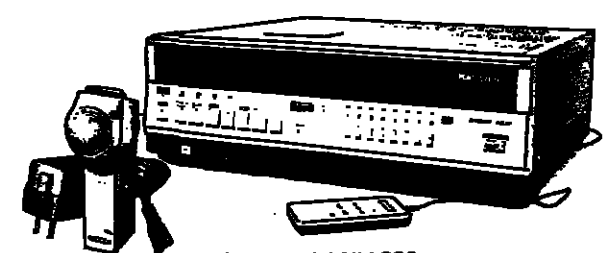
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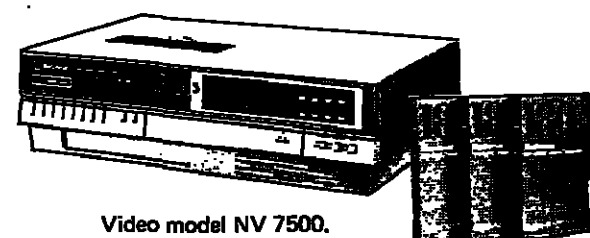
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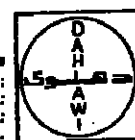
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## For 7 comrades in custody

## Salvador leftists offer to swap captive official

SAN SALVADOR, Jan. 28 (R) — Leftist guerrillas Thursday offered to exchange El Salvador's deputy defense minister, their prisoner since last June, for seven of their comrades said to have been arrested in Honduras and handed over to Salvadoran authorities.

The offer to swap the minister, Francisco Adolfo Castillo, was made over the guerrillas' broadcasting station Radio Venceremos. Castillo, who was captured last June when insurgents shot down his helicopter, spoke

## 5,000 dead crocodiles seized in Brazil

BRASILIA, Jan. 28 (AFP) — Close to 5,000 dead crocodiles were seized Wednesday by Brazilian police in the west central state of Mato Grosso do Sul, following a fight with a gang of poachers. It was learned here Thursday.

The police action was part of a wider operation aimed at dismantling a vast network that smuggles crocodile skins outside the country especially to West Germany. This clandestine commerce, according to ecologists here is more lucrative for the smugglers of the area than dealing in cocaine. The area is one of Latin America's biggest reserves of the Brazilian crocodile, the jacars.

## To combat Soviet superiority

## Strong U.S. space program urged

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28 (AP) — The United States needs a strong military space program because the Soviet Union is heavily involved in space, the head of the new U.S. Air Force Space Command said Wednesday.

Gen. James V. Hartinger told a National Space Club luncheon that establishment of the command last Sept. 1 was "a crucial milestone in the evolution of military space applications. This move will substantially contribute to deterrence and thus to international stability."

He said the Pentagon set up the command, which equals the strategic air command on the organization charts, because it recognized that space has become a theater of operations, just like the land, sea and air. A major reason, Hartinger said, is the Soviet acceleration of their military space effort. "In the last three years, the Soviets have launched four to five times as many satellites as we have," he said. "They have an anti-satellite system, and for years we've watched

over the radio last year when he said he was being well treated by his captors. The guerrillas, meanwhile, stepped up their military operations, in particular their campaign to disrupt El Salvador's internal transport.

A military spokesman said they blew up a railway bridge over the Lempa River, cutting the only rail link to the eastern provinces, and took control of a 20 kms stretch of road in the north. The spokesman said the insurgents also attacked a suburb of the capital and military targets in the second city of Santa Ana, apparently part of their campaign to draw away government troops poised to attack their strongholds in eastern Morazan province.

The guerrillas say they have pinned down about 6,000 elite U.S.-trained troops attempting to retake a string of rebel-held towns and villages in Morazan which border Honduras. A military spokesman said at least three guerrillas were killed Wednesday night in the northern suburb of Mejicanos. He said fighting lasted for about two hours before insurgents withdrew under cover of darkness.

Three other guerrillas were reported killed when rebel groups launched coordinated attacks against military outposts in Santa Ana. No government casualties were reported. Military officials said more guerrilla attacks were expected in the coming days. "We don't know when or where they will hit but we're preparing for them," they added.

## Colombian guerrillas to break truce

BOGOTA, Jan. 28 (R) — Bulletins purporting to come from Colombia's biggest guerrilla group, M-19, said Thursday the organization would cancel a three-month truce and resume guerrilla activities next month.

M-19, one of several underground left-wing groups active in Colombia, declared its truce last November after the government offered an amnesty. Its activities decreased noticeably but did not come to a complete halt. Anonymous callers to Bogota radio stations claimed responsibility in the name of M-19 for the kidnapping Wednesday of a Colombian banker's 19-year-old daughter and demanded \$25 million for her release. But police said they were not sure whether guerrillas or common criminals were behind the abduction.

In the bulletins, sent to news organizations in the Colombian capital, M-19 also called on other guerrilla groups to unite and wage revolutionary war.

## Actor who played E.T. passes away

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, Jan. 28 (AP) — Michael Patrick Bilon, a midwest who played the character E.T. in the hit movie *E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial*, died Thursday of complications resulting from pneumonia. He was 35.

Bilon played the outer space visitor in most of the film, said Fred Skidmore, spokesman in Los Angeles. He was admitted to St. Elizabeth Hospital Medical Center Wednesday afternoon.

"Pat did do the majority of the movie," Skidmore said. "Anybody that was ever around Pat Bilon for 10 minutes was a friend. He was one of our favorite people around here."

Bilon's father and agent, Michael Bilon, said his son had been negotiating to act in a sequel to the box office smash.

## Louis de Funes dead

NANTES, France, Jan. 28 (AFP) — French actor Louis de Funes, 68, died here Thursday after suffering a heart attack, reliable sources reported.

De Funes, whose home was a few miles outside this western French city, had been incapacitated several times by cardiac problems. One of France's most successful comic actors, he starred in dozens of films. Some of the most recent were *The Gendarme from St. Tropez*, *The Gendarme in New York*, *The Big Spree*, *The Adventures of Rabbi Jacob*, *La Zizanie* and *The Miser*.

## Haiti group warns pope against meeting Duvalier

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti, Jan. 28 (AP) — A terrorist group Thursday threatened to "compromise the security" of Pope John Paul II if he meets with President-for-life Jean-Claude Duvalier during a brief visit to Haiti next month.

The Brigade Hector Riobe, an anti-Duvalier organization based in Miami, Florida, included the warning in a note left at the Port-Au-Prince office of AFP news agency John Paul is scheduled to be in Haiti for 12 hours March 9 to open a conference of Roman Catholic bishops from Latin American and Caribbean countries.

Earlier, the Haitian government said the pope planned to meet with Duvalier. In a note addressed to the pope's representative in Haiti, the group said it "would not hesitate an instant to compromise the security"

of the pope if John Paul "deviates from his duties as the chief of the Catholic Church and considers putting himself at the service of the Duvalier family."

The Brigade Hector Riobe has claimed responsibility for New Year's Day bomb explosion in Port-Au-Prince that killed four persons and injured nine. The group is named for a man killed during an unsuccessful invasion of Haiti in 1963 when the president's father, Francois Duvalier, ran the country.

Roman Catholicism is the official religion of Haiti, a poor and densely populated nation that has been under control of the two Duvaliers since 1957. It shares the Caribbean island of Hispaniola with the Dominican Republic.

## Thatcher sticks to hard line

## Commons backs Falklands report

LONDON, Jan. 28 (AP) — After two days of noisy debate, the House of Commons Wednesday night backed the findings of an official inquiry that Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's government could not be blamed for Argentina's armed occupation of the Falkland Islands last year.

Following months of accusations in parliament and the media that ministers and officials should have seen the attack coming, the 635-member house, in which the ruling Conservatives have a comfortable 36-seat edge, voted by 292 to 240 a majority of 52 against a Labourite opposition claiming the government fumbled the situation.

Mrs. Thatcher, who made the opening and closing speeches, took a hard line against the Argentine government. To opponents who wanted her to negotiate with Buenos Aires about the islands and dependent territories in the South Atlantic, the premier asked: "About what? It is obvious that the Argentine sees the negotiations solely as a means of achieving the direct transfer of sovereignty of the Falklands and the dependencies to

Argentina."

The debate centered on Lord Franks' report, published Jan. 18 after a six-month inquiry, clearing the government of culpability in the Argentine invasion. Franks, a retired top civil servant and banker, was asked by the government to undertake the inquiry with five other privy councillors, a formal body of advisers to the Crown chosen from distinguished citizens. Their report said the government could not have foreseen the April 2 invasion and could not have prevented it. Labourites claimed witnesses' testimony at the inquiry showed otherwise.

They said the government's defense and foreign policies failed to give adequate priority to the Falklands, the cabinet and the defense committee failed to discuss the Falklands for 15 months before the invasion and failed to respond adequately to a risk of invasion which they knew to exist. When Argentine forces in the islands surrendered last June 14, Britain had lost 255 dead in the 10-week war and Argentina 712.

## BRIEFS

PARIS, (AFP) — Two gunmen Thursday stole an estimated \$1,430,000 in gems from a branch of the Paris jeweler Cartier.

JOHANNESBURG, (AP) — A man wielding a zulu fighting stick battered a jogger to death and assaulted a motorist and policemen before being shot and arrested, newspaper reports said Friday.

PARIS, (AFP) — China will participate for the first time in the international television festival at Monete-Carlo, it was announced here Thursday.

KATMANDU, (AP) — Se Eung-Oh, special envoy of South Korean President Chun Doo-Hwang, arrived here Friday on a three-day visit to Nepal from Bangladesh.

STOCKHOLM, (AFP) — Swedish security processes about 25,000 tapes of telephone conversations annually, the justice ministry Thursday announced here. This eavesdropping, for which the security people must in each case obtain a justice ministry authorization, corresponds to 75 to 100 monitoring hours per day, the ministry said.

## Uganda releases 200 Amin troops

NAIROBI, Jan. 28 (AP) — Uganda Thursday released 200 former members of ousted Idi Amin's army and other Ugandans, the state-run Uganda radio reported. Some of the prisoners had been held since 1979, the year of Amin's overthrow.

The broadcast, monitored here, said the latest release brings to 700 the number of former Amin soldiers who have been freed since President Milton Obote's government took office in December 1980. It did not say how many remained, but informed sources believed a few hundred were still in custody.

Amin Luwuliza-Kirunda, minister of internal affairs, reaffirmed what he said was the government's policy of "reconciliation and no revenge" in a speech at Luzira Prison, on Kampala's outskirts overlooking Lake Victoria, where the releases took place. He warned the freed prisoners not to join "bandits," the government's term for guerrillas who were still operating against the Obote government, the radio reported.

## 11 suspected cannibals held

KAMPALA, Jan. 28 (AFP) — Police in eastern Uganda have arrested 11 persons on suspicion of cannibalism after they were found cooking what was believed to be human flesh, a Kampala newspaper reported Thursday.

The vernacular daily *Taifa Emuza* said police searching for a missing woman in Busigiri district on the Kenya border had come upon a group of people in possession of two human thighs and with other meat stewing in pots. Some of the group escaped but 11 were seized and taken to the police station in the district capital of Mbale, the newspaper said.

## 17 Peru rebels die in clash with police

LIMA, Jan. 28 (R) — At least 17 guerrillas trying to blow up a bridge in Peru's southern Andean province of Apurimac died in a clash with police Wednesday night, the army said Thursday.

A communique said the fighting took place at a bridge at Pachachaca near Quichuara, nearly 1,000 kms southwest of Lima. The guerrillas were believed to be members of the Maoist Sendero Luminoso (shining path) group active in the Andean provinces of Ayacucho, Huancavelica and Apurimac; the communique said.

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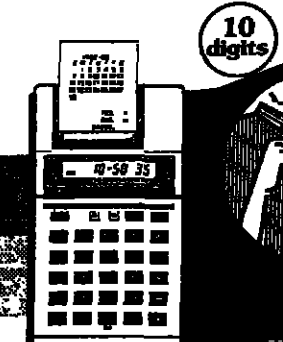
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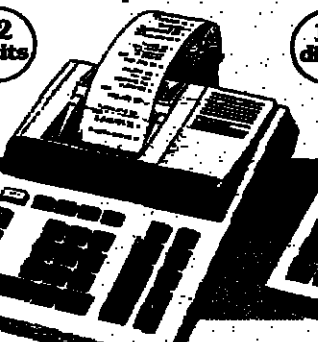
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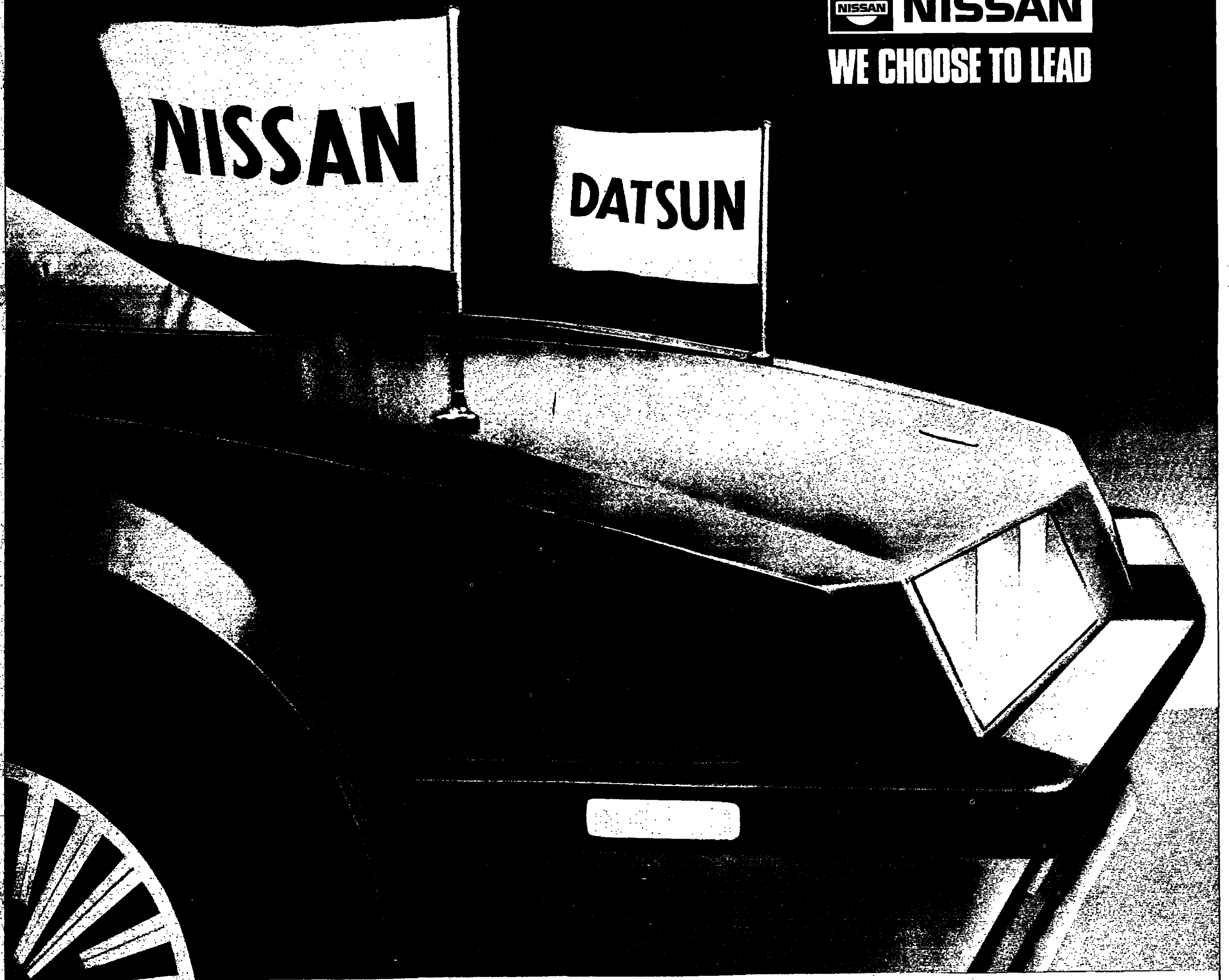
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With Sobers lending a hand

## Ballard's bullets sink sliding Sonics

NEW YORK, Jan. 28 (AP) — The Washington Bullets may be seeing a few changes pay off. Coach Lenny Wilkens hints he may be thinking along the same lines in Seattle.

After Greg Ballard had scored 34 points to give Washington a 99-86 victory over Seattle Thursday night, Rickey Sobers, the Bullets' newest acquisition, was answering questions.

Sobers had scored 18 points despite playing "like a chicken with his head cut off" during part of the game. "I'm familiar with certain aspects of (coach) Gene Shue's offense," Sobers said. "But I'm not completely comfortable."

The Bullets have released four backcourt players since the season began and acquired Sobers two games ago from Chicago. Shue said he liked the versatility Sobers gave his team.

"Rickey gives us good defense, consistent outside shooting, and flexibility," Shue said. "All of a sudden, our backcourt could be a little more versatile and quick."

The victory was only the second in 12 games for the Bullets, while the Sonics were losing for the 12th time in 14 games. Wilkens was asked if this was just one of those things that sometimes happens to a good team.

"I don't know. I've never been through one like this before," he said, indicating that he wasn't willing to let the slide continue much longer. "If these guys want to stay here, they've got to do the job," the Seattle coach said. Lonnie Shelton led the Sonics with 18 points.

Elsewhere in the NBA, San Antonio defeated Indiana 143-138. Houston downed Golden State 98-84. Portland beat Utah 120-106 and San Diego defeated Atlanta 110-100.

Spurs 143, Pacers 138: San Antonio had three players with 30 points or more — led by Artis Gilmore with 39 — helping the Spurs hand Indiana its 11th loss in 13 games this month. George Gervin had 37 points and Mike Mitchell 33 for the Spurs.

Herb Williams of Indiana tied the score 126-126 with a layup with 3:36 to play before Gilmore started a seven-point San Antonio run with a three-point play. Indiana cut the gap to 139-138 with 18 seconds left but Mitchell hit two free throws, then stole an inbound pass to seal the victory.

Rockets 98, Warriors 84: Houston led by just seven points with 8:31 left and ran the advantage to 87-72 on two quick buckets apiece by rookie Terry Teagle and Calvin Murphy in beating Golden State. Allen Leavell paced the Rockets with 16 points and 13 assists. The Rockets now have won two games in a row for the first time this season. Purvis Short paced the Warriors with 23 points.

Trail Blazers 120, Jazz 106: Jim Paxson scored 22 points as Portland rolled over Utah. The Trail Blazers led by as many as 25 points in the first half and allowed Utah to get no closer than eight points in the second half.

Clippers 110, Hawks 100: Al Wood scored a season-high 21 points coming off the bench, and Terry Cummings added 18 points and 20 rebounds to carry San Diego over Atlanta.

## Islanders put Kings to rout

NEW YORK, Jan. 28 (AP) — Mike Bossy collected his second three-goal game of the season to lead the New York Islanders to a 6-4 victory over the Los Angeles Kings in National Hockey League action.

The Islanders, 26-17-8 on the season, are 12 points behind the Patrick Division leader Philadelphia. The Kings remain in the cellar of the Smythe Division with a 16-26-7 record.

Elsewhere in the NHL, the Calgary Flames rode goals by Kent Nilsson, Ed Beers and Richie Dunn to a 3-1 victory over the Toronto Maple Leafs after both teams averaged seven goals a game during their last two outings.

## Austrian skier corners limelight

SARAJEVO, Jan. 28 (APF) — Gerhard Pfaffenbichler of Austria tasted victory for the first time in a Men's Alpine Skiing World Cup event here Friday, when he won the pre-Olympic downhill race.

Pfaffenbichler, 22, won the event, which had been postponed for 24 hours due to unfavorable conditions, in a time of 1 min 48.81 sec, 0.21 sec ahead of Canada's Steve Podborski.

Another Austrian the former World Cup winner, Franz Klammer was third, 0.26 sec



Ballard ... sparking show

## ACB backs Australian ban on rebels

ADELAIDE, Australia, Jan. 28 (AP) — The Australian Cricket Board (ACB) gave qualified support to the Australian government's ban on cricketers who play in South Africa after meeting in Adelaide here Friday. Executive director David Richards said the board respected the government's policy in regard to sporting relations with South Africa.

But he said it also supported the international cricket ruling that the selection of teams was a matter entirely for the cricket associations of the country concerned. "Barring of players for political reasons cannot be allowed to interfere with this," he said.

The ACB also deferred a decision on appeals from Test players Dennis Lillee and Allan Border, who were fined last year for their comments in newspaper columns.

Richards said the board heard detailed submissions from the two players Friday and would meet with them again before making a public statement on the result of the appeals next week.

## Lillee, Border appeals deferred

Border was fined \$600 and Lillee \$500 for comments they made in the press about the performances of the Australian team and the selection prospects of players. The fines were imposed because the cricket board felt the articles were in breach of board regulations or player contracts. Wicketkeeper Rod Marsh was also fined for similar offences but chose not to appeal.

Marsh is also one of four current test players who wants permission to miss the Sri Lankan leg of the Australian trip to the World Cup later this year. Marsh, Geoff Lawson, John Dyson and captain Kim Hughes have all asked if they can miss the games in Sri Lanka which includes the first Test match against that country.

The wives of Dyson and Hughes are expecting babies about the same time while Lawson is getting married the day before the team leaves. It is understood that Marsh wants a rest from international cricket commitments during that period.

However, Richards said this was a matter

for the selectors to decide and the players concerned would have to speak with the chairman of selectors Phil Rodgers. Friday's ACB meeting also squashed any hopes Adelaide television viewers had of seeing live the three World Series Cup matches to be played in here this weekend.

Despite intense pressure from the public and the media the board decided to stick with its policy of allowing just two hours of live coverage by local stations each day.

Meanwhile, New Zealand captain Geoff Howarth will consider using pain killers in a desperate bid to be fit to lead the Kiwis in the Benson and Hedges World Series Cup match against England at Adelaide Oval here Saturday.

Howarth underwent an extensive fitness Test Friday morning, the eve of New Zealand's vital match in the One-Day series. The Kiwi captain has been suffering lower back pains from a plucked nerve and was forced to leave the field in the match against Australia in Melbourne last Saturday.

## Rain washes out play in fifth Test

LAHORE, Jan. 28 (APF) — The fifth Test match between Pakistan and India was abandoned as a draw here Friday as rain washed out the last two days' play.

Umpires Khizer Eyat and Javed Akhter called off the match on the morning of the fifth and final day as persistent rains had made conditions at the Qaddafi Stadium unplayable. Pakistan have already clinched the six-Test series 3-0. The teams now move on to Karachi where the sixth and final Test starts Sunday.

Meanwhile, the Indian tour to West Indies, which commences on February 11 has not yet been cleared by the government. A.W. Kamnaskar, secretary of Board of Control for Cricket in India said in New Delhi.

He said the guarantee money for India's Caribbean tour was set at \$270,000, while India will be paying the West Indies \$875,000 for the return visit this year-end, resulting in a difference of \$605,000.

The captain of the Indian team will be announced on Feb. 5 and the team will be selected the next day. Hanumant Singh has been appointed manager.

## Coe may compete in Cosford

WOLVERHAMPTON, England, Jan. 28 (R) — Britain's Sebastian Coe is ready to shrug off a cold to make his return to the track at an indoor athletics meeting near here on Saturday. It will be Coe's first race since defeat in the European Championship 800 meters final in Athens last September which brought his injury-hit season to an end.

Coe, the reigning Olympic 1,500-meter champion and 800-meter world record holder who is due to compete in 3,000 meters at Cosford, said: "It looks for the moment as if I shall be there."

Meanwhile, the first clash between the world's two fastest marathon runners, Alberto Salazar of the U.S. and Australian Robert de Castella, is expected to take place in Auckland in April. New Zealand sports promoter Ian Gamble said.

He told reporters that he was confident of finding enough sponsorship money for the race, which was to have been held in Queensland, Australia, until the promoters there failed to find sponsors. The New Zealand Amateur Athletic Association has already approved the race, scheduled for April 17.

Salazar set a world best time for the 26 miles, 385 yards of two hours, eight minutes, 13 seconds when he won the New York

Marathon in 1981. De Castella, the Commonwealth champion, ran five seconds slower when he won the Fukuoka Marathon in Japan in 1980.

Gamble's other competitors included said Britain's Hugh Jones and Bernie Ford, and top-ranked New Zealanders Rod Dixon, Kevin Ryan and Ian Ballinger.

Ireland's Eamonn Coghlan, the indoor mile world record holder, will be looking for his fifth victory in the Millrose Games event in New York Saturday. Coghlan, whose world mark stands at three minutes 50.6 seconds, has won the mile at the Games — four times in the last five years. And he will be out to stretch that run of success after missing most of last season with a stress fracture of the heel.

Coghlan's main rival, American Tom Byers, withdrew Thursday with a chest infection which threatens to keep him out for the rest of the indoor season.

Two athletes who broke world indoor records last weekend and another who threatens to set a world best Saturday should help draw a capacity 20,000 crowd to the Games.

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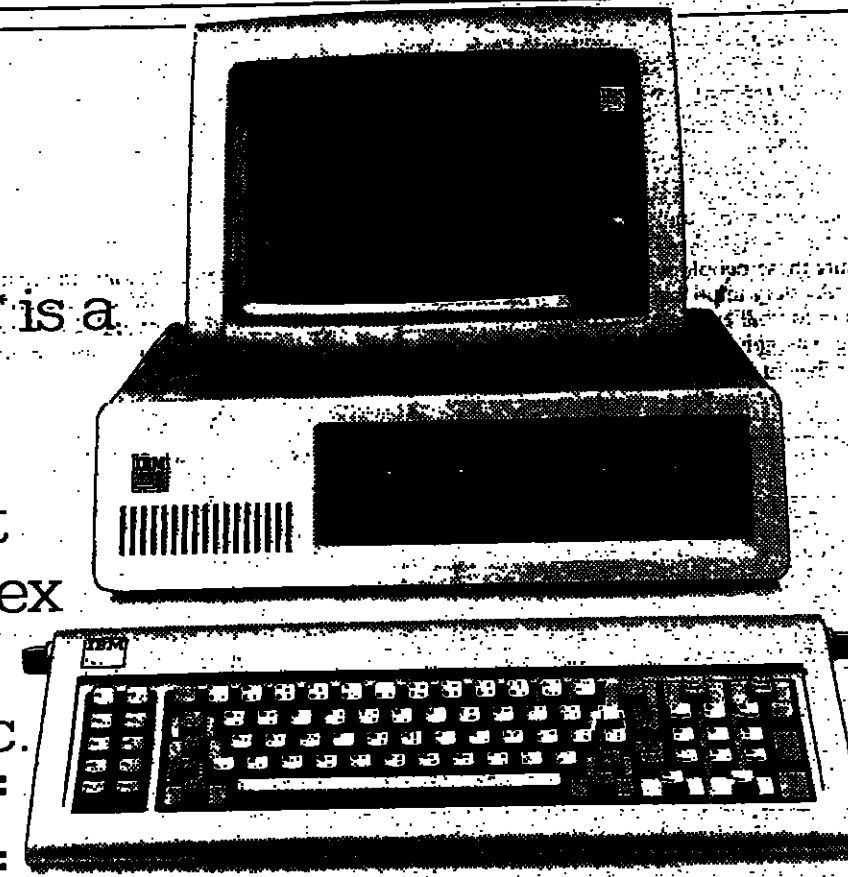
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## In Monte Carlo Rally

# Rohrl drives away with crown

MONTE CARLO, Jan. 28 (Agencies) — World champion Walter Rohrl of West Germany in a Lancia scored his third victory in four years in the Monte Carlo Rally Friday, widening his lead to some six minutes over his nearest rival and teammate Markku Alen of Finland, the organizers said.

The 35-year-old Bavarian was never threatened in the third and final leg, an overnight 706-km (441-mile) mountain spin with 10 timed tests totaling 215 km (134 miles). Unseasonably mild weather over Southern France meant the four-wheel drive Audi Quattro was never really in contention, and the challenge of early leader Stig Blomqvist of Sweden faded on the snow-free roads.

Rohrl and Geistdoerfer followed up their 1980 and 1982 successes by winning this year's event in a time of 7 hrs 58 mins 57 secs and were 6 minutes, 50 seconds clear of second-placed Finnish team-mates Markku Alen and Jukka Kivimäki and 11 minutes 18 secs ahead of the leading works Audi driven by Stig Blomqvist and Björn Cederberg of Sweden.

Blomqvist's fellow-Audi driver Hannu Mikkola of Finland was fourth with a time of 8:13.02 and the two works Opel Asconas, being driven by former world champion Ari

Vatanen and his talented fellow-Finn Henri Toivonen finished fifth and sixth.

The Rally fizzled out into an anti-climax on the final run. It was immediately clear that nobody was going to match the Lancias in the dry and thawing conditions. And just in case anyone was in any doubt about it, Rohrl underlined the point by notching up the fastest time over the opening speed test by hurrying his car through the narrow, twisting 18 kms run at the Banquettes Pass in a breath-taking 15 mins. 07 secs.

From that moment there was never any doubt of his victory. As the hours passed, Rohrl, driving majestically, forged further and further into the lead. The night's main entertainment for the spectators was in the last six trial sections, with a flamboyant display from veteran French driver Jean-Claude Andruet.

His chance of victory disappeared on the notorious Buzet pass on Tuesday — midway through the exhausting second stage of the competition. His Lancia ground to a halt with super-charger problems and although mechanics managed to carry out repairs Andruet and co-driver Michelle 'Biche' Petit lost too much time to be in the running for their victory.

Meanwhile, The Fittipaldi Formula One motor racing team is to be wound up, former world champion Emerson Fittipaldi said in interview published in Rio de Janeiro.

The stable has been short of money for many months and has not been able to find sponsors for the 1983 season. The team, based in England, have never won a Grand Prix in eight seasons. Fittipaldi said a formal announcement of the closure of the team would be made next Monday.

The 36-year-old Brazilian, world champion for Lotus in 1973 and for McLaren in 1974, said he might get back behind the wheel himself if he feels he still has the ability. He will make a decision after the first four races of the new season, when he has had time to study the effect of newly-introduced rule changes.

"If I think I still have the necessary reflexes I will then look for a team," said Fittipaldi, who gave up Formula One driving at the end of the 1980 season.

Italian Formula One driver Elio de Angelis narrowly escaped injury when his Lotus veered off the track during pre-season practice at the Paul Ricard Grand Prix circuit in Le Castellet.



Rohrl ... another feather in cap

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| 7. Jean Ragnotti (France-Renault)   | 8. Jean-Claude Andruet (France-Lancia) |
| 9. Francis Serpaggi (France-Lancia) | 10. Salvador Servi (Spain-Opel)        |

## Serginho tricks for Santos in Brazil soccer

SAO PAULO, Jan. 28 (Agencies) — Brazilian World Soccer Cup striker Serginho scored a hat-trick for his new club Santos Thursday as they stormed to a 3-1 championship win over Moto Clube.

Rio state champions Vasco Da Gama beat Treze 2-0 with Roberto slugging the first goal from the penalty spot — and breaking the net in the process. But last year's runner-up Gremio de Porto Alegre were surprisingly beaten 1-0 by unfancied Joinville. The 40 teams in the championship are divided into eight groups with all five sides playing each other twice.

Meanwhile, British Sports Minister Neil Macfarlane said Friday the battle against soccer hooligans must be planned "on a military scale."

Macfarlane, who at a meeting of 21 sports ministers in Paris Thursday urged prison sentences for British fans who riot abroad, said there must be full cooperation between the football association and the government.

He also called for stronger police presence at major matches, but said the fight against crowd violence "can be won." Macfarlane added: "Clubs must ensure that rival supporters are completely segregated. I want to see a consistency of toughness from all managers."

Macfarlane said: "We must really hurt these people who are treating football as a very important thing, which Argentina footballer Diego Maradona announced he was going to leave without an Argentine Friday, turned out to be a supply dispute with the customs authorities about the import of the player's three cars."



Rummenigge ... no new pastures

## Rummenigge to stay with Bayern

MUNICH, West Germany, Jan. 28 (R) — Karl-Heinz Rummenigge, West Germany's World Soccer Cup captain, has ended speculation that he was about to move to Italy by agreeing to extend his present contract with Bayern Munich by two years.

The extension, finalized Thursday night when club president Willi Hoffman met Rummenigge in a restaurant here, will keep the 27-year-old striker at Bayern until 1987.

Rummenigge, twice voted European Footballer of the year, has frequently mentioned his desire to play in Italy this season, but denied suggestions that he did so to improve his terms with Bayern.

"I feel in my element here," he said Thursday night. "I am glad that all this commotion about me is over." Hoffman added: "Our future looks a lot clearer."

## Korean boxers to the fore

JAKARTA, Jan. 28 (AFP) — South Korea appear poised to wrest the sixth President's Cup Boxing Championship from the favorites and defending champions, the Soviet Union, here Saturday night.

The Koreans, last year's runners-up have six finalists in the 12 fights, while the Soviets have only four. The Soviet Union were heavily tipped to become the first country to win the Cup for a third successive year, and to the fourth time overall, but they suffered a string of setbacks in the preliminary rounds when three of their strong gold medal hopes surprisingly fell by the wayside.

The first Russian casualty was in the featherweight division where Kodyevnikov Sergei lost a narrow points decision to Indonesian Alexander on the opening night. On the second night, Russia's Moscow Olympics gold medal winner, Shabirov Shamil made a shock exit in the junior flyweight division, losing on points to another Indonesian, Agus Sousa, in the biggest upset of the championships.

Another Russian gold medal hope, super heavyweight Abajon Valery was eliminated in the semifinals Wednesday when he was forced to retire with a bad self-inflicted wound above his left eye against Pakistan's Kapissa.

Abdul Salam. The Russian was well ahead on points after sending the Pakistani down for a count of eight in the first round.

In the finals, the Koreans' strongest hope is in the light-welterweight division where their Asian Games gold medal winner Dong Kil Kim takes on Russian Shishov Vasily. The other final in which the Russians and the Koreans clash directly is in the lightweight division where Hwang Bun Jin meets Glasgow Yuri and the battle for the overall title will depend heavily on these two contests.

South Korea also feature in the final in the junior flyweight division, where Kwang Sun Kim meets Indonesia's Frans Batuwael, as well as in the welterweight division where Jong Ho Ha takes on Francisco Lisboa of Indonesia, the middleweight division when young Buk Yuan meets Nathan Houser of the U.S. and in the light heavyweight division with Han Gou Yang meeting S. Habibullah of Pakistan. In addition to middleweight Houser, the U.S. have two other finalists — Capers Antinoc (light middleweight) and Terry Anderson (heavyweight).

France, who entered only a three-man team, provide one of the light middleweight finalists in Gilbert Dele, while Italy's Antonio Manfredini takes on Anderson in the heavyweight final. Algeria's sole finalist is Brahim Brahimi in the flyweight division while Egypt and Pakistan have two each. Only hosts Indonesia of the 11 competing nations can be certain of at least one gold medal, as the featherweight finals will be an all-Indonesian bout between Wass and Kapissa.

## Scanlon shocks Fibak

DETROIT, Jan. 28 (AP) — Sixth-seeded Bill Scanlon of the United States upset no. 3 Wojtek Fibak of Poland and South Africa's Kevin Curren defeated American Brian Teacher in quarterfinal matches of the \$250,000 World Championship Tennis winter finals Thursday at Cobo Arena.

Scanlon, who defeated his Polish opponent 7-5, 6-3, 7-6 with a 7-3 tiebreaker, took an early lead in each of the first two sets and held on for victories. In the tiebreaker that decided the third and final set, Scanlon scored the first five points.

Curren used an overpowering service to put away Teacher 6-2, 6-3, 6-7, with a 7-5 tiebreaker 7-6, with a 7-4 tiebreaker in a match that took two hours, 35 minutes to complete.

Meanwhile, Sweden's Mats Wilander, Argentine Jose-Luis Clerc, Belgian Bernard Boileau and Czechoslovak Tomas Smid entered the semifinals of the \$225,000 Hollywood Classic in Guarujá, Brazil Thursday.

## Davies misses Wales rugby bus

LONDON, Jan. 28 (AFP) — Gareth Davies, Wales' Rugby Union captain all last season, has failed to win a place in the team to face England in Cardiff on Saturday week, when the once-mighty Welsh side open their 1983 Five-Nations Championship campaign.

Swansea stand-off Malcolm Dacey, who was preferred to Davies for the match against the Maoris in November, will be one of four players winning their first caps. The others are Abercromby hooker Billy James who takes over from British Lion Alan Phillips, Llanelli flanker David Pickering, and Swansea full-back Mark Wyatt.

Pontypool No. 8 Eddie Butler, who was given the captaincy for the game with Maoris, keeps the job for Wales' first championship match. A third British Lion left out is Bridgend prop, Ian Stephenson. Swansea's Clive Williams, the man he replaced two seasons ago, is recalled.

In all there are no fewer than 10 changes from the team thrashed 34-18 at home by Scotland in March, which condemned Wales to bottom place in the 1982 championship. Part of the rebuilding, under new coach John Bevan, began in the representative match against the Maoris. Dacey, Wyatt and James were all included then and justified the selector's faith.

Dacey, 22-year-old Wales 'B' captain, is the player under the most pressure, as many people were calling for return of Davies. England will be more confident if Davies is on the substitutes bench.

## In Phoenix Golf

# Four share top berth

PHOENIX, Arizona, Jan. 28 (AP) — Leonard Thompson, acting on a tip from Arnold Palmer, made a swing change that resulted in a six-under-par 65 and a share of the first round lead Thursday in the \$350,000 Phoenix Open Golf Tournament.

He was tied for the lead with Hal Sutton, Jack Renner and Ed Sneed, who chipped in twice and holed more than 40 yards of putts on his erratic way to a 65. "He took me aside at a party and told me a couple of things I was doing wrong," Thompson said of Palmer.

Thompson, who had missed the cut in two of three previous starts this season, said he wasn't getting far enough behind the ball and was lining up to the right. Thompson, a close friend and frequent practice round companion of Palmer, made adjustments in his swing to accommodate what he called "technical changes" and produced his best effort of the young season.

"I just holed it from places that were unbelievable," said Sneed, who had a pair of one-putt pars and once holed a 15-footer to save bogey. "I hit some shots that were rather suspect." Sneed said. "But I was able to save it with the putter."

Lee Elder birdied his last hole for a 66 and was one stroke off the lead. The group tied at 67, four-under-par on the 6,150-meter

Phoenix Country Club Course, included Johnny Miller, Cal Peete, J.C. Snead and Scott Hoch.

Keith Fergus and Masters Champ Craig Stadler each opened with a 73. PGA titleholder Ray Floyd had a 69. Lee Trevino matched par 72. Defending champion Lanny Wadkins shot 68. Palmer is not competing.

Thompson got his piece of the lead with a closing rush. He wedged to eight feet on the 14th, scored from 20 feet on the next one, one-putted for par on the 16th, made a 12-footer for birdie on the 17th and left a wedge shot hanging on the lip of the cup for a tap-in birdie on the 18th.

Sutton said a growing familiarity with a new set of irons was a key factor in his effort. He missed only one green, did not make a bogey and four times got his iron six inside of four feet for relatively easy birdies. The other came on a 15-footer.

Renner dropped a pair of 7-footers in a solid but unspectacular effort. Sneed needed only 24 strokes on the greens. But chipped in for birdies from about 30 yards on his sixth and from 15 yards two holes later. He made three putts in the 15-foot range, one for a bogey and another that he said "was an accident."

## Washam begins with a big bang

DEERFIELD BEACH, Florida, Jan. 28 (AP) — Home club pro Jo Ann Washam beat a record field of 135 players by two strokes Thursday, turning in a six-under-par 66, as the LPGA began its \$7 million 1983 tour with the \$150,000 Mazda Classic at Deer Creek Country Club.

Crediting a new fiberglass-shaft driver she acquired three days ago, Washam covered the 5,559-meter course with a 31-35, including an eagle 3 at the second hole.

Pat Bradley, the early leader who said she is aiming to become the latest member of the Ladies Professional Golf Association's \$1 million club before the season's first five tournaments are completed, is two strokes back of the lead.

One stroke behind Bradley is Beth Solomon. Martha Nause, who scored an eagle 3 at the second hole by hitting a driver from the fairway on her second shot.

## Abastillas, Fityani have it easy

By Paddy Rogan

JEDDAH, Jan. 28 — Khaled Fityani continued his good form to beat Bob Reece 6-2, 6-4 to sail into the men's singles final of the Litton-Philippines Airlines Open Tennis Tournament Thursday.

Reece had no answer to Fityani's accurate backhand passing shots, which was also a potent weapon in his quarterfinal victory. The second-seeded Fityani, who disposed of Tom Bozarth 6-1, 7-5 in a very tight quarterfinal, now faces Renee Abastillas in the final.

Abastillas progress to the final included wins over Rogan 6-3, 6-3, and unseeded Imtiaz Khan 6-3, 6-4 in that order en-route to the final. Khan played controlled tennis but Abastillas was always in the driver's seat. Khan had earlier, defeated third-seeded Liam Convery 6-4, 6-1 to make the last four stage.

In the Grandmasters event, the surprise package has been unseeded Ramzi Haddad. A quarterfinal victory over second-seeded Vercoghio 3-6, 6-0, 6-2, followed by a convincing 6-0, 6-4 victory over Claude Maurice pits Haddad against Fernando Quesada in Friday's final.

The top-seeded Quesada has never been on court very long for anyone to assess his form. His wins over Akhtar 6-1, 6-1 in the quarterfinal and later, a 6-0, 6-2 triumph over Hand in the next round speaks volumes of quality of play. And his contest against Haddad should be keen.

In the men's doubles event that name Abastillas crops up again. He has teamed up with Rod Sabas and have not been seriously

asked a question to date. They eased past Rogan-Kelling 6-2, 6-4 in the semifinal without having to look for refreshment. But the Fernando-Bozart combination will provide an altogether sterner test in the final, than the ones they have encountered so far.


In the junior event, Patrick Hermansson will face Akidus Mashaka in the final. Hermansson's 6-1, 6-0 semifinal win over Nizar Andary looks completely one-sided in print, but the scores belied Andary's performance. The young 10-year-old took Hermansson to duce on many occasions and it was only the experience of Hermansson which helped him out of many a spot. Mashaka pulled through his semifinal match against Mark Gresham 3-6, 6-3, 6-0.

## Dittmar stunned

LONDON, Jan. 28 (AFP) — Greg Polard, a 22-year-old Australian, outclassed favorite Chris Dittmar to reach the final of the British under-23 championship at Wembley Thursday. He beat his 18-year-old fellow-Australian 9-5, 9-4, 9-6.

He now meets Sohail Oaizer of Pakistan in the final. Oaizer, 17, won his semifinal 10-8, 9-1, 9-3, against another young Pakistan international, Zahir Khan.

Meanwhile, Pakistan swept the board by booking half of the quarterfinal berths in the inaugural Asian Junior Squash Championships at the Subang Squash Center, Kuala Lumpur. Only Asif Zaman had to struggle and the others — Umar Hayat, Ahmed Gul, Jansher Gul — recorded easy victories.



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## TROUBLED OPEC

During the resurgence of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries — OPEC — the Arab producers bore the brunt of the attack of Western governments and media for the high rise in oil prices. The Arabs were portrayed as greedy, unjust and compulsive spendthrifts who wanted to amass wealth for the benefit of a few at the expense of the rest of mankind.

These governments knew, of course, that it was not the Arabs within OPEC who were raring to raise prices after the initial corrective measure to sell oil at realistic prices. At the time oil was being sold at \$3 a barrel. It was, in fact, Iran, Venezuela and Nigeria who were pressing for steep rises in prices much against the better judgment of their Arab colleagues. The late Shah of Iran had some grandiose plans for his country and wanted to catch up with Japan economically and the Soviet Union militarily while he was still alive. So he wanted a lot of money more quickly.

But this is now history, although its repercussions are still haunting OPEC and the oil trade. Now the organization is in disarray, to put it mildly and may be dying, to put it brutally.

At the same time, the oil price hawks of yesterday are now selling their oil cheaply under the counter. They have been joined by Libya in an attempt to bolster its falling revenues.

The Arab producers have stuck to the benchmark price of \$34 but are unable to find enough buyers for all that they can produce because their colleagues are underselling them in the present recession-hit world. If they retaliate it may rebound against everybody with a price war in the offing.

With Iran selling oil at \$29 or less, the price may well hurtle downward with amazing speed. Western experts are already anticipating prices at below \$20 a barrel.

This may be good for buyers in the short term but Western bankers are wary of the dubious blessings of such a price war. They have dumped too much money in oil exploration and in energy alternatives. They have a lot of money tied up with oil producers like Mexico and Nigeria who may well default if they cannot get decent prices for their products.

The Arab Gulf producers can do with the most modest output to run their economies. They have huge surpluses, small populations and the patience to wait for a market recovery. They also have the satisfaction that, perhaps, the Western world now realizes that, after all, the Arab Gulf oil producers are not the bogey that the Jewish lobbies had painted and tried to perpetuate.

## Saudi Arabian press review

Okaz Friday underlined the importance of Arab solidarity and said that unless the Arabs enjoyed a deterring power through their unity, Israel will not make any concessions over its ambitions in Lebanon.

Commenting on current tripartite negotiations on Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon, the paper said Israel would persist in its intransigent stand and delaying tactics with the aim of conserving its occupation of Arab land and preventing a peaceful settlement safeguarding Palestinian rights. "The Israeli entity will make no concessions over its ambitions in Lebanon or the occupied West Bank and the Gaza Strip unless the Arabs enjoyed a deterring stand through cohesion, unity and solidarity," it added.

The paper added that "in the absence of such a stand imposed by common destiny, we cannot force Israel to accept a peaceful settlement either in respect of

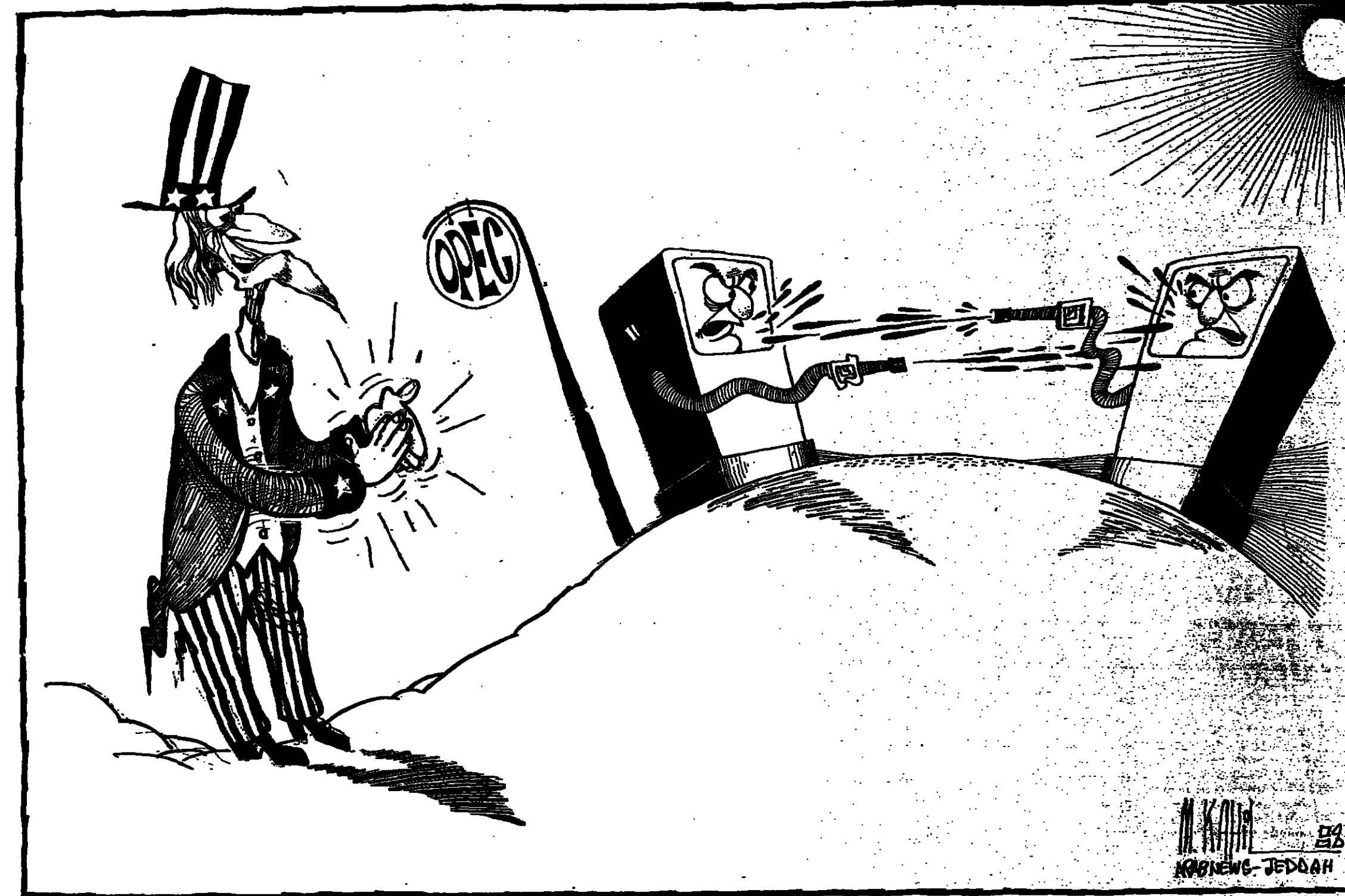
Lebanon or the Palestine problem."

Al-Jazirah paid tributes to efforts undertaken by the government to industrialize the Kingdom and diversify the sources of income. It said the rulers' resolve to industrialize the country's oil wealth locally provided "deep reassurance about the future of the Kingdom as a national wealth."

Al-Jazirah said the Kingdom had succeeded in transforming oil royalties into feasible projects and making huge achievements in various fields of development.

Al-Riyadh said the petrochemical industrial projects in Jubail and Yanbu would ensure for the Saudi economy many privileges. "Through such projects, oil no longer constitutes the core of national economy in the Kingdom," it added.

King Fahd is due to inaugurate a number of oil projects in the two industrial cities next week. (SPA)



## Mrs. Gandhi's bid to groom son for premierships misfires

By Shyam Bhatia

NEW DELHI — Rajiv Gandhi, son and political heir of Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, is in danger of becoming yesterday's man after the Congress Party's debacle in elections for the state assemblies of Tripura, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka.

Long overdue elections within Congress, scheduled for next March, were meant to set the stage for Rajiv's triumphal elevation to one of the party's senior posts, possibly that of general secretary. Now Mrs. Gandhi is reported to be having second thoughts about how and when to boost her son's prospects.

During the run-up to the state elections, Rajiv and his mother were targets of a savage campaign launched by Maneka Gandhi, the 26-year-old widow of Mrs. Gandhi's other son, Sanjay. She teamed up with opposition politicians to spearhead the attack on Congress. The party did not expect landslide victories in any of the three states but in Andhra at least — where Mrs. Gandhi has her parliamentary constituency — there were hopes of Congress being returned with a working majority. Instead, the outcome was a disaster.

Most galling of all for the Gandhis is their realization that the party's recent defeats have been engineered in part by a member of their own ruling family. In Andhra, it was Maneka and a local film star, N.T. Rama Rao, who jointly delivered a crushing blow against Congress. Elsewhere, too, Maneka performed with crusading zeal against her in-laws.

Boistered by the riches left to her by Sanjay, who collected money by political extortion, the widow,

Maneka, has threatened to wipe brother-in-law Rajiv off the electoral map. Maneka's campaign began to gather momentum last summer soon after she was bundled out of the prime minister's house, No. 1 Safdarjung Road, New Delhi. In a subsequent letter to her august mother-in-law, Maneka wrote: "You have abused and insulted me."

A veil has been drawn over the circumstances surrounding her departure, although the reasons are not difficult to ascertain. Mrs. Gandhi is not enamored of Maneka and actively dislikes Maneka's mother, an ambitious Delhi socialite called Mrs. Anand. One story has it that Mrs. Gandhi returned brusquely and without explanation a gift sent by Mrs. Anand for Maneka's young son, Varun.

More to the point, Maneka discovered during the Gandhi family breakfast hour that her advice on political issues was being ignored in the manner of "little girls should be seen and not heard." She was quick to realize during those lengthy breakfasts that Mrs. Gandhi preferred to lean on Rajiv and project him as the country's next inevitable prime minister.

Pride and ambition propelled Maneka out of the prime minister's household. After that, aided by her own mother, she embarked on her long trail of revenge to discredit both Mrs. Gandhi and Rajiv. It is Maneka's supporters who have made public a hitherto unpublished chapter, entitled "She," from a book about Mrs. Gandhi's father, India's first prime minister, Jawaharlal Nehru. The author, now dead, was one O.P. Mathai, Nehru's private secretary for many years.

The "She" chapter, originally held back at the publisher's request, never mentions Mrs. Gandhi by

name, although it is meant to be an insider's account of her personal life. "She has Cleopatra's nose and Josephine Napoleon's eyes," the chapter begins. Later the author, taking his cue from Barbara Cartland, lists details of his alleged liaisons with "She." Copies of the chapter were widely distributed in New Delhi and in the states where elections were recently held. Maneka also made public letters written by Mrs. Gandhi to Sanjay when he was an apprentice with Rolls-Royce in England. The letters, all in Mrs. Gandhi's distinctive handwriting, show her concern that "Bhi" (Rajiv) was wayward and impractical. There is even a letter from Rajiv to Sanjay in which, after explaining how all other sources have been exhausted, he begs his brother for a loan of £15.

In Indian families, the problems of mother-in-law and daughter-in-law are the subject of constant discussions and analysis. Maneka, both as a widow and young daughter-in-law, has been able to attract a natural wave of sympathy from the country's highly conservative and tradition-bound society. At an election rally in Andhra, Maneka's political ally, Rama Rao, asked the crowds: "Can you follow a woman (Mrs. Gandhi) who cannot be trusted to look after her own daughter-in-law?"

Last year, one of Mrs. Gandhi's most loyal lieutenants, Muhammad Yunus, published two long articles about the Gandhi family in the *National Herald* newspaper. The articles, entitled "Two Brothers," were in theory about Rajiv and Sanjay. In fact, they turned out to be a thinly disguised means of abusing Maneka. "This naughty little girl has mastered the art of telling lies," Yunus wrote. Mrs. Gandhi was groomed for office by her

father. Now she is doing the same for Rajiv. But Rajiv, a 38-year-old former Indian Airlines pilot, does not inspire the same political respect she did in her days as heir apparent. Although he comes across as well meaning, his style of working is uncertain, even diffident. His Italian wife, Sonia, is also seen as an electoral disadvantage. Mrs. Gandhi's enemies noted with satisfaction last year that Sonia had been refused admission to a Hindu temple. As a non-Hindu, *mech*, or outsider, the priests considered it improper for her to enter the temple.

Such incidents have made more difficult Mrs. Gandhi's strategy for promoting her son. There has been nothing discreet or subtle about her method of championing Rajiv's hopes. First, in response to well-orchestrated demands from the party rank and file he was "persuaded" to stand for parliament. He won handsomely in the Amethi constituency once represented by his brother, Sanjay. He then began to appear by his mother's side during important tours within the country and abroad.

Back at home, Mrs. Gandhi entrusted her son with the job of organizing the prestigious Asian Games. Rajiv's role was highlighted by Indian television. In other matters, too, Mrs. Gandhi let it be known that she was willing to delegate power to her son. Chief ministers visiting New Delhi to discuss the problems of their particular state found they were whisked off to see Rajiv because "the prime minister is too busy at the moment."

The same chief ministers who used to be sent off to see Rajiv now find it prudent also to call on Maneka. In the rough and tumble of Indian politics, it pays to keep all options open. (ONS)

## Kyprianou set to win next month's presidential poll

By Patrick Worsnip

NICOSIA —

A presidential election next month in Cyprus will be the first to be seriously contested on the island since independence 23 years ago, though center-right President Spyros Kyprianou looks set to retain power with the support of the Communist Akel Party.

Kyprianou, 50, took over after the death in 1977 of Archbishop Makarios, who dominated post-independence politics here, and he was returned unopposed in 1978.

He is being challenged in the Feb. 13 poll by pro-Western Glafkos Clerides, a veteran of inter-communal talks with the Turkish Cypriot community, and Socialist Edele Party leader Vassos Lyssarides.

A recent independent poll published in the Greek Cypriot daily *Phileleftheros* forecast Kyp-

rianou would take 54 percent of valid votes against 33 percent for Clerides and 13 percent for Dr. Lyssarides. The president's opponents dispute these findings, but, if accurate — and they tally roughly with parliamentary election results in 1981 — there will be no need for a second-round run-off, which is required if no one gets an absolute majority on the first ballot.

Some 100,000 Turkish Cypriots, who set up a "Turkish federated state of Cyprus" — recognized only by Turkey — in northern Cyprus after the Turkish invasion in 1974, are not taking part in the February poll. Posters of the three candidates dot towns and villages of Greek Cyprus, but missing are those of arguably the most powerful politician of them all, Communist Akel Party leader Ezekias Papaioannou.

It was Akel's open alliance forged last April with Kyprianou's Democratic Party (Diko) that lit the flames of controversy in the electoral campaign, even though the Communists had been expected to vote for the incumbent. In the last parliamentary election, the Communists captured nearly 33 percent of the poll, slightly more than Clerides' rally party and much better than just under 20 percent for the Kyprianou followers.

The Akel-Diko pact was expressed in the form of a manifesto called the "minimum program," which Kyprianou is supposed to implement if re-elected. A joint committee would monitor its progress, although Communist officials concede that no time limit is set, and Akel is not seeking ministerial posts.

In itself, the program makes no startling recommendations, especially on social and economic issues. While calling for a better deal for the lowest paid sectors, it also seeks "the protection and strengthening of the middle class." But this uncontroversial approach has not silenced critics of the alliance between the two apparently disparate parties. "The question is: Which is the dog and which is the tail and who will do the wagging?" one Western diplomat here asked.

Clerides told Reuters in an interview that "Kyprianou will have to accommodate the Communist Party," especially on foreign policy. He cited Cyprus's non-committal line on Afghanistan and Poland as evidence of this already happening. The rightist newspaper *Alifolia* went further and said that, if Kyprianou were re-elected with Communist backing, the West would regard Cyprus as "the Cuba of the Mediterranean."

Papaioannou, 74, is one of the most orthodox Communist leaders outside the Soviet Bloc, but political commentators say many Cypriots vote for

Akel for family and local reasons rather than out of loyalty to the dogma of Marx and Lenin.

Asked why he was not making a direct bid for power, the Communist leader told Reuters that, at present, the priority was to rid Cyprus of foreign troops — the Turks in the north, and the British, who occupy three sovereign bases in the south. "We have to get rid of them. Then it will be for the Cypriot people to decide whether they would like a social transformation," he said. In practice, Akel knows that election of a Communist president could deeply divide Greek Cypriots, cause litters in Turkey and even bring on a global crisis between the United States and the Soviet Union.

Deep-rooted personal and policy differences divide the Communists from the Socialists, who appear to be gaining ground in Cyprus, though not fast enough to win this election.

Dr. Lyssarides, 62-year-old former physician to President Makarios, said in an interview that socialism was "something new to Cypriots. Some confused it with communism, some with right-wing ideas." But his Edele Party could become important if the election were to go to a second round. Clerides, apparently headed for second place in the first round, said he found nothing too objectionable in Dr. Lyssarides' present policies and an alliance could be forged in 24 hours.

At present, however, the Socialist leader said that, if it came to a Kyprianou-Clerides run-off, he would advise his followers against supporting either man, an act which should result in victory for Kyprianou.

As for Turkish Cypriots, commentators on the Greek side speculate that Rauf Denktaş, leader of the self-styled federated state, would probably favor Kyprianou, at least for reasons of continuity. But whoever wins, no radical formula seems likely to emerge for the problem of divided Cyprus.

All candidates admit that years of intercommunal talks under United Nations auspices have made little practical headway beyond a general agreement that Cyprus should be a bi-regional federation. The Turkish Cypriots want to hold on to 35 percent of the island, almost as much as they hold now, while the Greek Cypriots are offering them 20 percent.

The Greek Cypriots want a strong central government, while the Turkish Cypriots want most powers vested in regional administrations. Clerides and Dr. Lyssarides want to use Western nations to put pressure on Turkey, with the Socialist leader hoping to work through his ally in Athens, Prime Minister Andreas Papandreu.

Akel and Kyprianou want to continue the inter-

communal talks and resurrect the issue at the U.N. although a sheaf of past resolutions by the world body have remained a dead letter.

Today is Saturday, Jan. 29th, the 29th day of 1983. There are 336 days left in the year. Highlights in history on this date:  
1676 — Theodore III, son of Alexis, becomes Tsar of Russia on death of his father.  
1801 — France and Spain issue ultimatum to Portugal to break allegiance to Britain.  
1889 — Crown Prince Archduke Rudolf of Austria-Hungary kills his mistress and himself at hunting lodge in Mayerling.  
1916 — Germans stage first Zeppelin raid on Paris in World War I.  
1927 — Wilhelm Marx becomes chancellor in Germany.  
1928 — Treaty is signed between Germany and Lithuania.  
1942 — Britain and Soviet Union sign alliance with Iran.  
1950 — First series of riots in Johannesburg provoked by South Africa's racial policy.  
1963 — Britain is refused entry into European Common Market by French veto.  
1968 — French submarine *Minerve* disappears with crew of 62 off Mediterranean coast near southern France.  
1973 — United States, Soviet Union and 17 other nations agree to meet in Vienna to try reaching agreement on cutting strength of armed forces in Europe.  
1974 — King Baudouin dissolves Belgium's parliament after efforts fail to form a new coalition cabinet.  
1978 — Results remain inconclusive as U.S. and Canadian scientific teams continue efforts to determine radiation danger from Soviet satellite which disintegrated over northern Canada.  
1981 — It is disclosed that U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig has sent message to Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, saying any Soviet move into Poland will adversely affect relations with United States.

Thought for today:  
Words are the most powerful drug used by mankind — Rudyard Kipling, English writer (1865-1936).

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# High suicide rate among young boys worrying Norway

By Erik A. Wald

OSLO, Norway (AP) — His classmates called him "the leper," because measles had left this 12-year-old boy scarred. His mother said children blamed him when things went wrong.

One day, distraught, the boy took a rope and hanged himself.

His death and those of four other Norwegian boys, ages 10-14, have turned Norway's attention to the question of young suicides and what causes them. Three of the five were in the Arctic circle town of Tromsø, the other two in Oslo, the capital.

National newspapers attributed the deaths of the 12-year-old and at least one of the other Tromsø boys to "long-lasting harassment at and outside school."

The 12-year-old's mother, who asked not to be identified, told the Oslo newspaper *Dagbladet* that her son was harassed both in and out of school, especially after he and a friend accidentally set fire to an old empty house.

After that he was blamed for every wrong thing that happened in our area. Other children always put the blame on him," she said. "Shortly before his death, he was accused of having stolen some flower bulbs. I think that was too much for him."

School superintendent Alf J. Karlsen, quoting psychological experts, denied that any of the Tromsø deaths was caused solely by harassment.

"But we realize the problem of harassment exists here, just as it exists at many schools in our country, and we have set up a committee, which by March will make proposals to combat it," Karlsen said.

Norwegians call harassment among children "mobbing," a word borrowed from English. "Mobbing" refers to teasing and other forms of minor harassment as well as deliberate and systematic, even violent, persecution.

Karlsen said the new committee includes representatives of schools and organizations dealing with children's welfare.

"The proposals will be directed toward pupils, teachers and parents alike," he said. "We must cooperate at all levels to solve the mobbing problem."

Professor Dan Olweus of Bergen University, who studies school harassment and wrote a book *School Rowdies and Their Victims*,

estimates that between 25,000 and 30,000 children are harassed seriously in Norway every year, mostly at school.

"The victims are usually the psychologically and physically weakest, the most emotionally unsure and anxious," Olweus said. "They fail to report the harassment because they are afraid of being treated even worse."

Olweus' current project, in Sweden, is a study of whether harassment of children causes lasting harm. Nine hundred volunteers, victims of harassment and former admitted school bullies, have been observed over several years and remain subjects of the research project.

"There is seldom only one reason for suicides among kids, but harassment can often be a contributing factor," Olweus said.

In Norway, there was one average suicide a year among every 100,000 children under 14 in the 1960s, 2 per 100,000 in 1971-75 and one per 100,000 in 1976-80.

Since 1980, however, "it worries us that the rate in this age group has increased to 3 per 100,000," said Dr. Per Nyhus, head of the National Center of Children and Youth Psychiatry.

"There is also every reason to be deeply concerned about the increase in the suicide rate among boys in the age group between 15 and 19. During the 1960s there were only 3 suicides among 100,000 boys of that age. Now the rate is 14 per 100,000," he said.

Norwegian girls seldom commit suicide, according to Nyhus.

Oslo psychiatry Professor Nils Retterstøl believes important reasons other than harassment lead children and teen-agers to kill themselves.

"One thing is the lack of sufficient and necessary supervision of children and attention for them caused by the increases in divorces and the breakup of families," he said.

Nyhus added that modern society has become more competitive, creating a gap between those who are successful and those who are not. He said this creates stress for many children and teen-agers.

"Already as teen-agers, youths seem to think that if they can't manage well at school, they risk being unsuccessful for the rest of their life," he said. "What happens among youths now must be seen as a cruel caricature of what is going on among adults."

## Training of youth in Western Samoa

By Asif Khan

SUVA, Fiji (Depthnews) — Suicide rate among inhabitants of the South Pacific island of Western Samoa is believed to be among the highest in the world. Young people unable to find work often from part of this tragic statistic.

Now, a group of Samoan youth workers are studying this phenomenon with a view to making recommendations to their government on what can be done to minimize such deaths.

Meanwhile, youth workers in Tonga, 800 kilometers to the southwest of Western Samoa, have come together to form a national youth council to give youth work in the kingdom a greater sense of purpose and direction.

In the Cook Islands, which lie about 1,600 kilometers to the east of Tonga, a youth worker with the National Planning Department is making sure that the country's youth are not neglected in its development plans.

The Samoans, the Tongans and the Cook Islanders have one thing in common: they were all trained by the Commonwealth Youth Program (CYP), which runs courses on youth and development for the region from the University of the South Pacific in Suva, the Fijian capital.

Sam Vanini, the Fijian who organizes the courses, cites the three cases as good exam-

ples of youth work now in progress in the region.

"Previously," he says, "it used to be done in a rather haphazard way. We still have a long way to go, but these are encouraging signs."

CYP graduates, like those in the three islands as well as in other Commonwealth Pacific nations separated by thousands of miles of ocean, keep in touch with each other through a satellite link provided by the university.

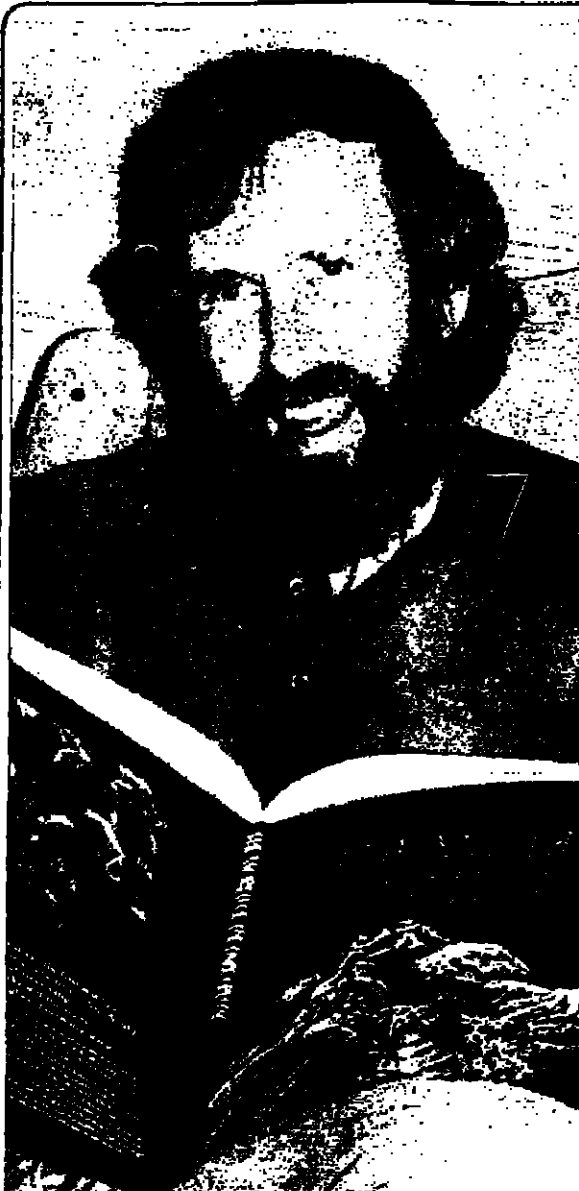
The link enables them to hold regular "conferences of the air." It is also helping them to prepare for, and promote, 1985 — designated by the United Nations as International Youth Year.

Vanini, 42, formerly principal administrative officer in Fiji's Ministry of Youth and Sport, describes this exchange of views and news as a valuable exercise.

He said: "We like to keep in touch with our past graduates. The satellite link means we can communicate with each other. Communications are otherwise a bit difficult because of the vast ocean."

Participants in the courses are trained in satellite work so that they can help man the 'youth link' on returning home.

The agenda for the monthly link-up is circulated in advance to the 10 islands that take part in it, and the 'meeting' lasts about 75 minutes.



JIM HENSON: The Swedish film maker Jim Henson. Right: An unforgettable character called The Historian is one of the new fantasy creatures appearing in the film.



## A novel brand of fantasy creatures hit the screen

Muppet master Jim Henson has done it again. Following the phenomenal success of "The Muppet Show," their creator, has now developed an entirely new breed of fan-

tasy creatures. The result is a fascinating new film called *The Dark Crystal*. Its characters combine a remarkable clever technology of painting, arts, mime, pup-

petry, electronics, make-up, acting, costume, hydraulics, and model-craft. Co-producer of the weird and wonderful epic is Gary Kurtz, producer of the box office hits,

*Star Wars* and *The Empire Strikes Back*. *The Dark Crystal* is said to be the boldest and most exciting picture of its kind in the field of animation.



LANDSTRIDERS: Two characters race on creatures called Landstriders in a scene. Right: This wide-eyed fluffy creature is also a member of the cast of this unusual film.



## Aussies' sport love still limited to TV watching

By Scyld Berry

MELBOURNE (LOS) — A myth exists that all Australians have the physique, tan and muscles of a surf life-saver. But while a few are superfit, the reality is that half Australian men are classified as obese, they spend 10 years of their life watching television, and end up with the world's highest rate of heart disease.

Sport, to your average Aussie, is something you watch on telly in a singlet and shorts while the water sprinkler does the garden.

The average Australian was once enshrined in the person of "Norm" during a series of television advertisements for a keep-fit campaign. Norm was shown slobbering around in front of his telly, then exhorted to get out of his armchair to participate instead. But the ads had the reverse effect. Norm became a cult hero: people wanted to imitate him.

Of all the sports under the Australian sun, perhaps none attracts Norm more than horse racing. The whole year round he can watch the races in his living room, in the local bet-

ting shop or at the race track.

Australia can offer country, provincial and metropolitan horse races, and two or three pages of every daily newspaper are devoted to giving the full cards for them. All the racing takes place on the flat except for some jumps in Adelaide and Melbourne, the two most English of Australian cities.

"A Country Racecourse" is the title of one of the best-known Australian paintings, wherein a couple of diggers stand in bush hats beside a parched track and against a background of gaunt gum trees. But that is the old Australia, which only a few still know. In the outback they have their "picnic races" once a year, when 200-pound stockmen take a ride, but their social goings-on affect no one but themselves.

It is provincial racing which feeds metropolitan or city racing. The state capitals of Sydney, Melbourne and the rest each have four or five provincial centers within a 100-mile radius, like the Gold Coast Turf Club south of Brisbane.

Here, on the fringes of the circuit, the "bat-

ters" hang out, those lesser jockeys and trainers who battle to make a living out of \$150 third prizes. Faces leathery by the sun, and bodies underfed to make the weight, tell of the strain of competition here.

Only last week a battling apprentice jockey was suspended for the fifth time in less than a year for too aggressive riding. "It is every man for himself in a race," he was said to have told the stewards. "We realize race riding is very competitive," they replied, "but that sort of attitude will not be tolerated."

At the apex of Australian racing is Melbourne Cup day. Britain's Ascot and Epsom rolled into one, part-fashion parade, the three-and-a-half minutes when Australia stops, one of the few national and nation-building events to compare with Anzac Day.

Horse racing is believed to have started in Australia shortly after they got off the boat in 1788. It then grew as a form of rivalry between the British import and the native-bred horse, but even after that rivalry died down, and every horse was native-bred, racing continued to enjoy much popularity.

In New South Wales alone last year more than \$1,000 million was spent in off-course betting in the Totalisator Agency Board shops run by the state government. (As a percentage of this spending goes to the racing clubs to spend on their facilities, the Australian racegoer is made pretty comfortable.) The year's turnover with on-course bookmakers was only slightly less.

Add to these sums the vast unknown amount invested with starting price bookies (still illegal, but to be found in the nearest pub) and it is likely that every person in the state spends an average \$1,500 a year on horse-racing bets alone. One-sixth of net average income goes on gambling in general.

It is apparent when owner, trainer and stable hand assemble in the paddock after a race. There is no English snobbery and forelock-tugging. In fact it may take more than a glance to decide which is which, as they might all be dressed in an open shirt and shorts. So Australians can claim that they are almost as equal on the turf as they are beneath it.

## word watch

By Howard Dana Shaw

Where words come from. Maybe I'm wrong. I usually assume my readers are mainly interested in using the English language, correctly and effectively, and that most of them couldn't care less about the ancestry of the words.

J.N. however asks about books on word derivations—what the scholar calls "etymology." I have a few, but don't use them often because I find a number of the regular dictionaries do a pretty good job telling us where a word comes from.

Webster's *New Collegiate*, for example, gives the original source of many words: If you want to have real fun digging into the history of words, try prowling around in the Appendix in the *American Heritage Dictionary*, where original root forms are treated one by one to show how modern words are constructed.

A recently reprinted book specifically on derivations is *Word Origins and Their Romantic Stories* by the famous Wilfred Funk (published by Bell in New York). An older book that's quite readable is *Phrases and Word Origins* by Alfred H. Holt (reprinted in paperback by Dover). The genuine scholar should own, or have access to, *The American Language* by H. L. Mencken, a classic work that is highly instructive and fascinating.

Worst possible. The word pit means a number of things. Put the on the front and S on the end, and you have a slang meaning, as in "Watching TV all day is the pits."

Did you ever hear this term until recent years? Half my modern dictionaries don't list it. The *Oxford American Dictionary* defines it simply as "the worst of anything."

The term the pits appears in the *Second Barnhart Dictionary of New English* which purports to include only words and meanings that are new to the language since 1973. This fascinating volume describes the pits this way: "U.S. slang—the worst, the most undesirable or unpleasant place, condition, circumstance, etc."

Visitation of geese. Can you deploy a decoy? Not exactly. But an editor of a prominent city newspaper evidently thinks you can.

A reader sent us a clipping about a big swimming pool that was troubled with Canada geese and their droppings. Officials thought a wooden swan might scare the geese away, and a photograph carried the line, "Park Ranger deploys a swan decoy."

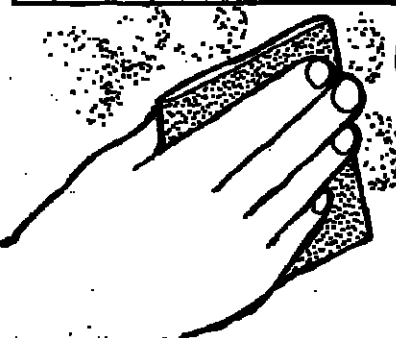
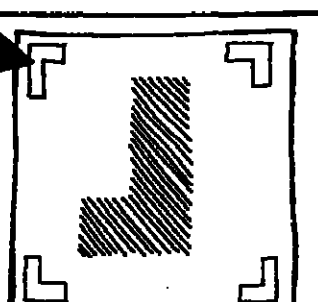
The word deploy really means to unfold. It's used properly to indicate a systematic spreading out (of troops for instance) to form an extended front. You can deploy ships or men or ducks—but you can't deploy one of anything.

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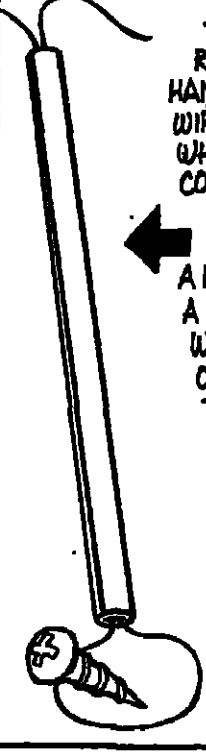
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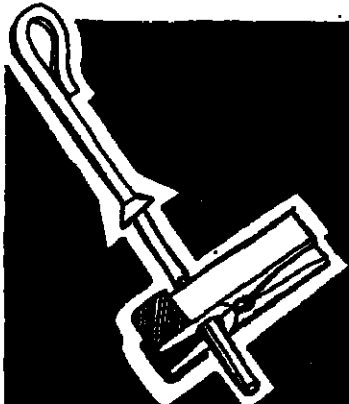
FOR SUCCESS WHEN RUBBING DOWN REPAIR WORK WITH QUIET-AND-DRY PAPER YOU MUST USE PLENTY OF WATER. A GOOD WAY TO SUPPLY THIS IS BY SPRAYING CONTINUOUSLY WITH A FINE MIST FROM A PRESSURIZED GARDEN SPRAY.

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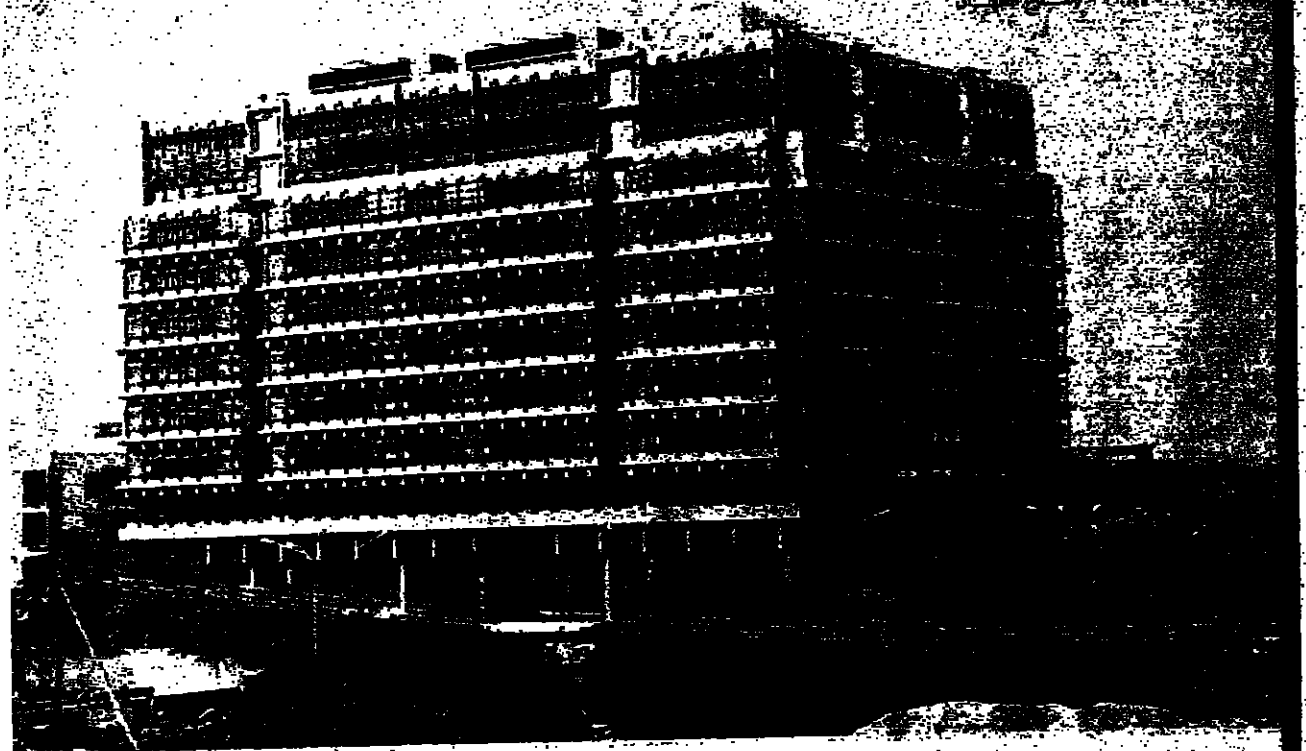
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## As oil income soars

# Britain chalks up \$1.3 billion surplus

LONDON, Jan. 28 (AFP) — Thanks mainly to oil revenue, Britain last month chalked up a massive \$22 million pound (about \$1.3 billion) balance of payments surplus on current account, the commerce department has said.

This provisional result brings Britain's total surplus for 1982 to 4.6 billion pounds (about \$7.2 billion). The surplus in November was 700 million pounds.

But the 1982 total is nearly 25 percent below the 1981 record of 6.1 billion pounds. Nevertheless it is well over the government's March prediction of 4 billion pounds, revised downward to 3.5 billion pounds in November.

The figures deteriorated last year mainly because of soaring imports, which were encouraged by the firmness of sterling until November and by growing consumer demand.

Imports rose 10.5 percent last year to 53.2 billion pounds despite the continuing recession and shrinking business inventories. It appears that the 2.5 percent growth in consumer spending went almost entirely to imports.

Exports grew at a slower 8.4 percent to 55.3 billion pounds, mainly due to oil sales

## Caracas to stay oil price, output

CARACAS, Jan. 28 (R) — Venezuela will maintain its present level of oil prices and production, Energy and Mines Minister Humberto Calderon Berti said.

Calderon was speaking on return from the OPEC meeting in Geneva, which failed to agree on a quota system for production.

Venezuelan oil prices range from \$18.90 per barrel for extra heavy crude to \$37 for light crudes. Venezuelan oil output is averaging 2.07 million barrels per day according to latest weekly figures.

He denied the existence of an international price war and said OPEC agreed unanimously in Geneva to fix a production ceiling of 17.5 million barrels per day and to defend prices.

Calderon, meanwhile, ruled out the possibility of Venezuela losing markets to non-OPEC producers such as Mexico. He said Venezuela has a wide diversity of clients to whom sales are continuing as normal.

## Canadian growth seen at 1.6% in '83

OTTAWA, Jan. 28 (R) — Canada will recover slowly this year keeping unemployment high and consumer spending, seen by economists as the key to recovery, will barely expand, the Conference Board of Canada said.

In its latest forecast, the board said Canada will grow a real 1.6 percent in 1983, setting the stage for a 4.7 percent expansion in 1984. But unemployment will probably average 13 percent in 1983 and only fall to 11.8 percent by end-1984.

Consumer spending, ravaged by the recession, will grow less than one percent this year but should surge 4.4 percent in 1984 as inflation declines.

Inflation, measured by the consumer price index, should decline to seven percent this year and fall to 5.4 percent in 1984, from its current 9.3 percent, the board said.

The short-term outlook is dominated by more relaxed monetary policy here and in the U.S. and the likelihood of a slow response by most sectors of the economy to policy changes, it said.

But the decline in interest rates in both the U.S. and Canada is unlikely to provide a major boost to the economy in the near future.

Nonetheless, the board said the foundations should be laid for much faster economic activity in 1984.

## China to expand economic tie-ups

DAVOS, Switzerland, Jan. 28 (R) — China will expand economic cooperation with foreign countries in the next five years to modernize its industrial technology, a Chinese official said Friday.

Ma Yi, vice-chairman of the State Economic Commission, told a press conference that China would import 3,000 items of new technology during this period to re-equip its small and medium-size enterprises.

Although it had accumulated a certain amount of foreign exchange for that purpose, China would eventually need to finance part of the program by borrowing abroad, in particular for large, long-term projects.

Most of China's 300,000 small and medium-size enterprises were using technology dating from the 1950s, he said. China in recent years had absorbed a certain amount of foreign capital through joint ventures, licensing arrangements and the import of foreign components for local assembly, but now intended to step up the pace.

## Argentina ups wage 37% of low paid

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 28 (R) — Argentina's military government ordered a 37.5 percent raise on all salaries below eight million pesos a month over the first quarter 1983, to compensate for inflation, running at 209 percent a year.

The rise, together with a 25 percent rise in minimum wage to five million pesos from four million, was announced in a labor ministry communiqué, after talks between government ministers and leaders of the moderate Azopardo wing of the General Confederation of Labor (CGT).

The salaries increase will take the form of three monthly between January and March, the communiqué added. Salaries above this level will be raised by a smaller amount.

## Inflation rate touches new low in Japan

TOKYO, Jan. 28 (R) — Japan's inflation rate last year was 2.7 percent, the lowest since 1959, the prime minister's office said Friday.

This compares with a rate of 3.9 percent the U.S., 5.4 percent in the U.K., 4.6 percent in West Germany and 16.3 percent in Italy.

And in December prices were still falling in Japan. The consumer price index at the end of the month was 0.2 percent lower than November.

Stable wholesale prices, despite the yen's depreciation against the U.S. dollar, also helped to keep consumer price rises low, it said. The Japanese whole sale price index last year rose an average 1.8 percent after increasing 1.4 percent in 1981.

The office said prices of fresh food last year rose an average 1.8 percent after a 5.3 percent rise in 1981, electricity and gas rates were up 3.5 percent after a 7.7 percent rise, and housing costs were up three percent compared with four percent.

It said the consumer price index (base 1980) for urban Tokyo in mid January rose 0.2 percent to an unadjusted 109.3 from an upward revised index at end December of 109.1 when it was up 0.1 percent from end November.

The mid January index was up 2.3 percent from a year earlier after a 2.4 percent year-on-year rise at end December, it said.

## To five states World Bank lends \$553.5m

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28 (AFP) — The World Bank and affiliated organizations announced the granting of a number of loans totaling \$553.5 million with the lion's share going to China for the development of oil resources, Indonesia for developing industrial-style agriculture, and India for irrigation projects.

China, the World Bank said, gets \$162.4 million for the development of the country's main oil field, Daqing. The loan will serve for financing the introduction of modern exploitation technology and the training of technicians.

The Chinese project foresees the drilling of 615 new oil wells and that of 206 water injection wells, which should eventually translate into an increase in the oil field's production by about three million tons per year.

The Indonesian loan of \$154.6 million is for the development of rubber, palm oil and other plantations.

India was granted \$150 million for the modernization of the irrigation system in the northern state of Haryana.

Another loan, of \$32.5 million went to Bangladesh for the extension of telephone links between small towns and in the countryside and included a short-wave radio-telephone link between Dhaka and Chittagong.

Yugoslavia was allotted \$30 million for a project compensating for lacking water

reserves and anti-pollution measures in one of its regions.

Tunisia on its part received \$16.5 million in loans for irrigation and the drilling of 1,600 water wells, and the Maldives Islands in the Indian Ocean \$5 million for developing the fishing industry.

The Chinese oil project, bank sources specified, envisages a global investment of \$674.3 million. The oil field to be exploited more thoroughly is in China's north-east and is the nation's richest, producing an annual 51 million tons, or about half the total Chinese oil production.

Included in the project is more seismic exploration around the edges of the field, the setting of a computer center for the analysis of results, and the training of about 2,000 workers and 500 technicians. China joined the World Bank in May, 1980. Since that time, it has received \$530 million in loans from that institution.

## Danish prices drop

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 28 (R) — Denmark's consumer price index, base 1975, fell 0.52 percent in December to 209.2 after November's 0.76 percent gain to 210.3 and 0.47 percent rise to 191.9 a year earlier, the statistics bureau said.

This put the overall 1982 rise in Danish consumer prices at 9.0 percent down from the year ago's 10.9 percent, the bureau said.

## Panama to hike toll by 9.8 percent

PANAMA CITY, Panama, Jan. 28 (AP) — The Panama Canal Commission on Thursday proposed a 9.8 percent increase in tolls for ships using the waterway.

The commission's nine-man board of directors approved the request at the end of two days of meetings.

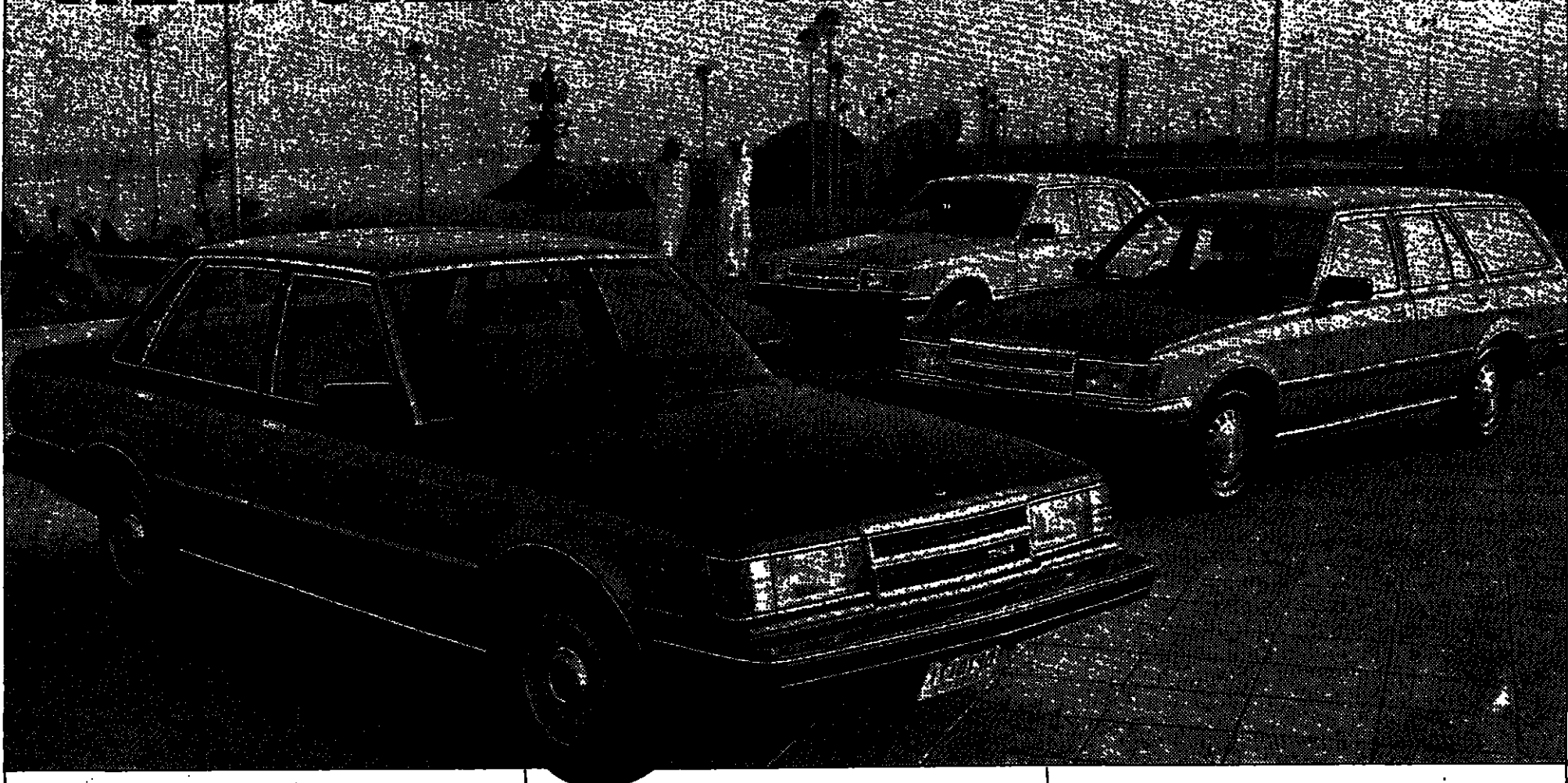
Before going into effect, the request must be approved by the U.S. government, which co-administers the canal with the Panamanian government under terms of the 1977 Panama Canal Treaty. The treaty provides for full control by Panama in 1999. The board is composed of five Americans and four Panamanians.

The commission asked that the increase "be effective as soon as possible after March 1." The U.S. government postponed a decision last August when the commission requested that the tolls be increased by the same percentage in January.

"That rate hike, the first in over three years, is modest considering the magnitude of the revenue loss resulting from the diversion of the Alaska north slope oil trade to the new trans-Panama pipeline and the effects of inflation on canal costs," the commission said in a statement.

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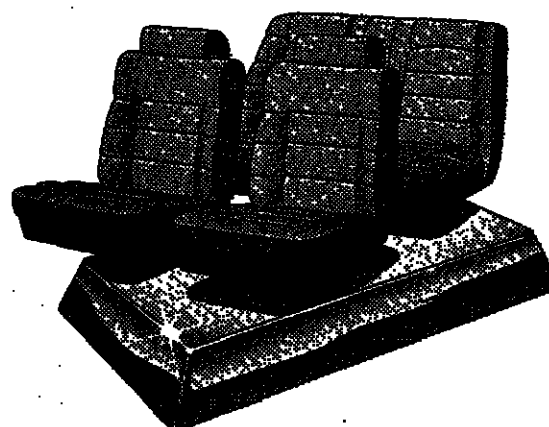
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## In new sign of recovery

## U.S. indicators rise by 1.5%

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28 (AP) — In a new sign of recovery, the U.S. government said Friday its main economic forecasting gauge jumped 1.5 percent in December, the eighth gain in the last nine months and the biggest increase in more than two years.

The U.S. Commerce Department reported the increase in its index of leading economic indicators, a compilation of 10 separate statistics, including forward-pointing information concerning unemployment, production, prices and business conditions in general.

Meanwhile, the report said an accompanying index of coincident indicators — designed to measure current conditions — dipped 0.1 percent in December, indicating that the long recession may well have been continuing, though at a slow pace.

In the past, gains in the leading indicators have foreshadowed recovery for the U.S. economy as a whole, though recovery usually arrived sooner than nine months after the indicators turned up. Index gains prior to past recoveries also were bigger than most recent increases, indicating to many analysts that the economic 1983 rebound will be only moderate.

The December gain was the biggest since the 2.8 percent in September 1980 as the economy was pulling out of that year's steep but short recession. Such gains of 2 percent or more have been common at the start of previous recoveries.

In contrast, the index rose just 0.2 percent in November of last year — revised down-

ward from the original estimate of 0.8 percent — and 0.3 percent in October, Friday's report said.

In December, the report said, six of the 10 available leading indicators showed improvement, led by a gain in new orders for plants and equipment and a drop in initial claims for unemployment benefits — an indication that layoffs were slowing.

Also showing improvement in December were the nation's money supply, building permits for future house construction, stock prices and orders for new consumer goods and materials.

Three indicators gave negative economic signals in December: total business liquid assets, prices of sensitive raw materials and speed of deliveries. There was no change in the average workweek.

Commerce Undersecretary Robert Dedrick said the size of the increase may later be

revised downward because Friday's report did not include a not-yet-available 11th component — business inventories — which probably declined in December.

Still, he said, "the robust advance in December's leading indicators further strengthens the case for economic growth this quarter."

Earlier the U.S. Labor Department reported that initial claims for jobless benefits were at the lowest levels since September 1981, and Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker said the economy seems poised for sustainable recovery from recession.

General Motors Corp. announced it will call more than 21,000 autoworkers back to work in the next three months because of improved U.S. car sales, and Chrysler Corp. said it will spend \$55 million to reopen an idle assembly plant in Fenton, Missouri, creating 1,500 new jobs by September.

## Dollar rates decline slightly

LONDON, Jan. 28 (AP) — The U.S. dollar weakened slightly against most major currencies Friday as traders awaited U.S. money supply figures. Gold also slipped but silver moved higher.

Dealers said currency trading was light and nervous in advance of the weekly report from the U.S. Federal Reserve on the amount of money in circulation. The figure is generally seen as an indicator of future interest rate trends. Also expected later in the day was word on the index of leading U.S. economic indicators.

In Tokyo, where trading ends before Europe's business day gets under way, the dollar slid to a closing 236.85 yen from 237.90 Thursday. In London, the dollar was quoted at 237.33 yen.

Other dollar rates in Europe compared with Thursday: 2,438.5 West German marks, down from 2,439.5; 1,994.8 Swiss francs, down from 1,998.2; 6,994.8 French francs, up from 6,902.5; 1,404.74 Italian lira, down from 1,405.25; 1,236.0 Canadian dollars, down

from 1,237.5.

In London, the British pound was quoted at \$1.5355 compared with \$1.5365 last Thursday.

London's five bullion dealers fixed an indicative price of \$492.50 a troy ounce for gold, compared with 494.75 on Thursday.

In Zurich, the precious metal was quoted at 493.75 an ounce, compared with 494.00 the day before. Earlier in Hong Kong, gold closed at 491.89. In New York Thursday, gold rose 4.70 to close at 496.00.

Silver bullion was traded in London at \$13.40 a troy ounce, its highest since Feb. 10, 1981, when it was \$13.875. Thursday's late price for silver was \$13.30.

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## West pledges \$206m to African states

MASERU, Lesotho, Jan. 28 (AP) — Western nations pledged more than \$206 million Friday to help nine Southern African countries become economically free from white-ruled South Africa.

The figure represented only specific commitments made at the close of a fund-raising meeting of the Southern African development coordination conference. The United States, the biggest single-nation giver in the region, and the European Economic Community, the biggest group donor, declined to make specific pledges but said their aid would continue at about present levels.

The United States has for the past three years granted or lent \$180 million annually to the conference or its members — Botswana, Mozambique, Malawi, Angola, Tanzania, Lesotho, Swaziland, Zimbabwe and Zambia. The European Common Market has been

giving at the rate of \$170 million a year and its individual members states at a combined rate of \$1 billion a year.

An unofficial tally put the three-year-old Southern Africa conference nearly halfway toward its goal of \$3.5 billion in Western aid for a development program lasting into the next decade.

The conference said before the meeting it was seeking \$900 million for food production and industry. Relatively little of the pledges Friday was for industry, and some Western delegates said they were awaiting practical proposals from the nine.

The aid-receivers have long depended on South Africa, their political enemy and the region's economic giant, for a major part of their transport, electricity, food and manufactured goods. The development conference seeks to build facilities that bypass South Africa.

Among specific pledges to the conference were \$47 million over the next three years from Sweden, which doubled its rate of giving, \$70 million from Norway over the next four years and \$11.5 million from Holland in 1983. Britain announced \$3 million in aid, in addition to its country-to-country direct-aid programs.

The aid is in the form of grants or soft loans. This was the third Southern Africa fund-raising meeting. Another was scheduled for late this year.

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## On trade

## U.S. adopts double standard

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28 (R) — While advocating a doctrine of free trade and open markets, the Reagan administration is adopting an aggressive stance on trade issues in the face of what it sees as unfair competition from abroad.

Administration officials say that while they favor trade without barriers, the U.S. cannot tolerate trade deficits anywhere near last year's record \$42.7 billion.

In recent weeks the administration has

## U.K. firms raise petrol prices

LONDON, Jan. 28 (R) — British companies are putting up the price of petrol despite widespread predictions that world oil prices may fall because of competition among major exporters.

BP (British Petroleum) and Shell announced Friday that they were adding five pence a gallon (about 1 1/2 cents per liter) to their retail prices. Texaco led the way with a similar rise Thursday.

British distributors say their margins on petrol are unrealistically low. Although Britain is self-sufficient in oil, crude prices are fixed in dollars and have therefore risen in sterling terms with recent falls in the dollar value of the British currency.

The companies tried repeatedly to raise prices last year, but competition drove them down again. The new prices will be about £1.70 sterling a gallon (57 cents a liter).

threatened cut-price sales of large amounts of surplus food, amassed in the past two years because of bumper crops, unless the Common Market halts its subsidies of grain exports.

Washington this month sold Egypt one million tons of surplus flour worth an estimated \$150 million in what officials said was retaliation against the Egyptian Economic Community's export subsidies.

And the government's international trade commission recently recommended to President Reagan that he raise from four to 49 percent the import tariff on motorcycles to protect the lone U.S. maker, Harley-Davidson.

The Milwaukee, Wisconsin, firm sought help because Japanese manufacturers such as Honda, Yamaha and Suzuki have captured 94 percent of the \$4.5 billion a year U.S. market. The recommendation gives President Reagan a weapon to use in dealing with Japan, which accounted for over 40 percent of the U.S. trade deficit last year.

In his State of the Union address, Reagan said he would pursue an aggressive export policy to open doors now closed to American goods, a major part of his plan to revive the economy.

U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz and special trade representative Bill Brock are both heading for Tokyo soon to follow up Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone's visit earlier this month to Washington during which U.S. officials urged him to be more accommodating to U.S. exports.

## Japan records trade gain of \$18 billion

TOKYO, Jan. 28 (R) — Japan, which is under pressure to cut its exports to the West, Friday announced a \$18.19 billion trade surplus with the world last year, down from \$19.97 billion in 1981.

The finance ministry said the surplus was measured on a payments basis with exports of \$137.65 billion and imports of \$119.46 billion.

The figures were released as a European Economic Community trade delegation wound up four days of talks during which it asked the Japanese government to restrain the enthusiasm of exporters.

"People in the community are not prepared to put up with Japanese export drives where they are sectorally concentrated and are built up rapidly," Leslie Fielding, community commission director-general for external relations, told journalists.

Finance ministry figures show that Japan had a \$9.5 billion trade surplus with the community last year on a customs-cleared basis. The delegation asked the Japanese to adopt a policy of clearly-defined moderation in areas causing problems to European industries.

## Egypt, India to bolster ties

NEW DELHI, Jan. 28 (AP) — India and Egypt signed a memorandum of understanding to increase industrial and technical cooperation, an official statement said here.

It provides among other things for the establishing of a joint design and engineering consultancy service, company which could take on projects in Egypt as well as in third countries.

The two sides agreed to explore the possibility of joint tendering in third countries especially in the civil construction field, as well as in the setting up of transmission lines and power stations.

The memorandum of understanding was signed by the visiting Egyptian minister for industry and minerals, Fouad Abou Zaghla, and the Indian Industry Minister Narain Dutt Tiwari.

Zaghla, who heads an eight-member team, said the talks Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak had with Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi here last month had opened a new chapter in the relations between the two countries. The current memorandum of understanding was a follow-up, he added.

## Watermen vote on strike issue

LONDON, Jan. 28 (AP) — "Blessed be a wash-free weekend" was the appeal that went out to eastern England residents Friday as 29,000 British, Welsh and Northern Irish water workers entered the fifth day of their pay strike.

Some 11,000 people have had their water supplies cut off completely, and another six million have to boil all water for drinking, the country's water authorities reported.

Water workers around the country began voting Thursday night on whether to continue the strike. The outcome is not expected until the weekend, but early results indicate that there will be a big majority supporting the strike.

Meanwhile, Welsh water workers decided to step up their action, with the result that Wales could soon find itself without running water, and all drinking water will probably have to be boiled.

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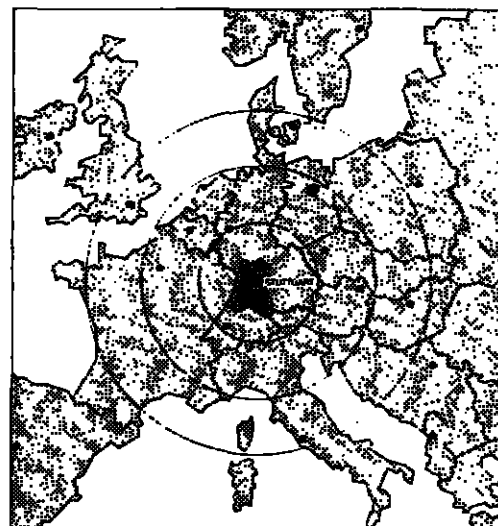


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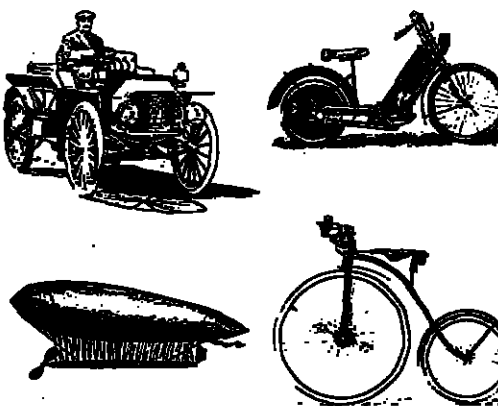
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Baden-Wuerttemberg is in the south-west of the Federal Republic of Germany, in the heart of Europe. Its geographical position, the skills and qualifications of its population and its well-balanced economic structure have made Baden-Wuerttemberg the most thriving State in terms of economic strength in the Federal Republic and therefore possibly in Europe as a whole.



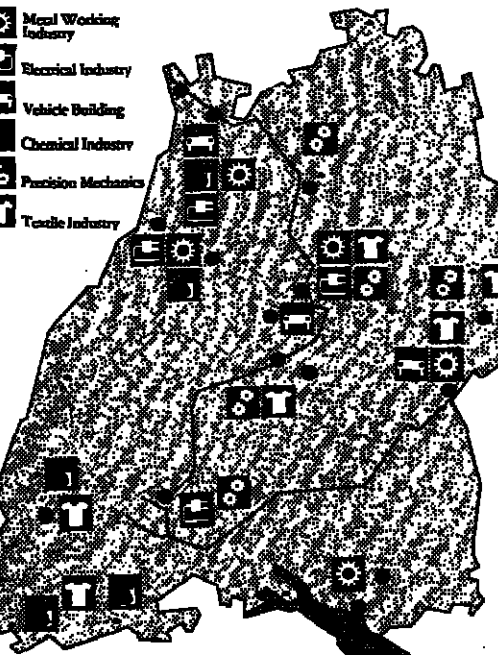
## Progress and tradition.

Baden-Wuerttemberg looks back on a long tradition with regard to both its political existence and cultural achievements. Research, development and design innovation, the classic cornerstones of any economy and the source of its impetus, have a long tradition in Baden-Wuerttemberg. There is ample evidence of this unceasing flow of ideas: the bicycle, the motorcycle, the airship, the calculator, the spark plug, the typesetting machine - all were invented in Baden-Wuerttemberg.



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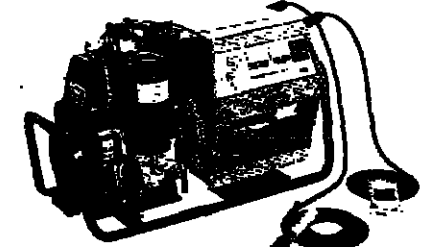
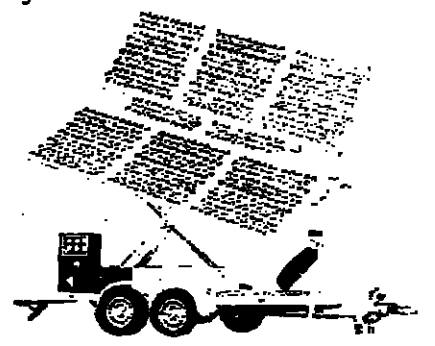
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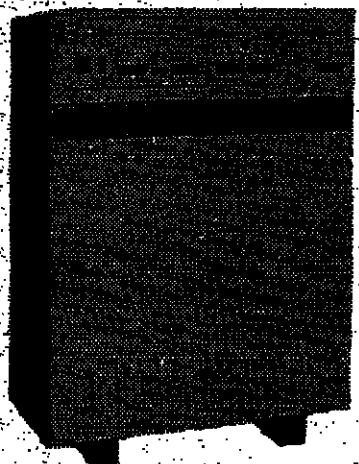
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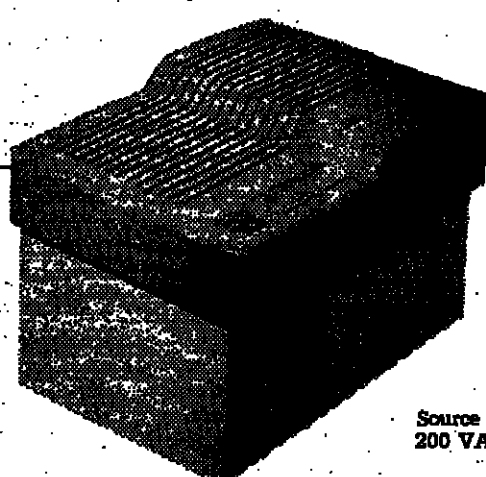


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Range of possibilities much larger than with teletext

# Trade circles falling to viewdata's charm

By John Williamson

LONDON (LPS) — In simple terms, teletext involves the broadcasting of data in the unused portion of a normal television signal. In addition to providing "pages" of alphanumeric information and some graphics, it can furnish sub-titles for television programs and insert news flashes into broadcasts. These services can be accessed simultaneously by many millions of subscribers. Starting with a trial service in the mid-1970s, usage has grown at a rapid rate.

In Britain alone, two teletext services (CEEFAX and ORACLE) now reach more than 200,000 subscribers and more than one million teletext decoders have been delivered to television set manufacturers. West Germany, Austria and Australia are among the countries vigorously promoting a British-style service.

In essence, viewdata is a system which links converted television sets through ordinary telephone lines to large database facilities. As such, the television set functions as an interactive alphanumeric/graphics terminal, allowing the subscriber to access, manipulate and input information.

The range of possibilities available with viewdata is much larger than with teletext, but the number of subscribers who may, for example, simultaneously access the same page of information is much smaller. In addition to the cost of establishing a telephone link to the database, there may be a charge for access to particular viewdata pages. By contrast, use of teletext is free once a suitable receiver has been acquired.

The world's first operational public viewdata system — British Telecom's Prestel — was inaugurated in 1979. There are at present about 14,000 sets connected to Prestel in Britain and 500 Information Providers furnish a database of more than 200,000 pages of information. This is easily the largest viewdata system in the world. It is also the most successful in export markets and details and software and or hardware have been sold to West Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands, Austria, Hong Kong and other countries.

Both teletext and viewdata were originally aimed at the mass market in Britain. While the performance of teletext has fully equaled its originators' expectations in this regard, viewdata has proved to have its greatest appeal — 85 percent of all users — in what might be termed the business/professional community.

This unexpected turn of events has influenced subsequent Prestel developments in two main ways. On the one hand, efforts are being made to broaden the appeal of the



VIEWDATA: The Viewdata autodial modem converts the Wordplex word processor into a viewdata terminal.

service and reduce the initial costs for the general public. On the other hand, in recognition of the competitiveness of extant forms of data communication, a number of new Prestel options have increased its sophistication as a business tool.

One way in which the general utility of viewdata can be increased is by providing easier access to particular information. At best there can be considerable delays involved in ascertaining aircraft arrival and departure times by telephone. During bad weather or industrial disputes, the task is often impossible, as hundreds of callers dial on the same line at the same time. A new service called

Sky Guide alleviates the problem by transmitting data from the Flight Information Display Systems of British airports first to a computer for editing and then to the Prestel system.

The service, operated by American Express, uses all-British technology with data picked up initially by a microprocessor monitor developed by Jasmin Electronics and then forwarded to a Rediffusion computer for editing before onward transmission to the Prestel system.

In the quest for lower costs, a number of companies have developed adaptors which will convert domestic television receivers into

Prestel terminals. Tandata, for example, offers equipment which will convert an existing television set to Prestel operation for around 25 percent of the price of a new dedicated set. Tandata claims there is no appreciable difference in the quality of reception.

The current development of business viewdata is proceeding on two fronts. First, the capability of terminals is being enlarged by advanced design and integration with other communications media. Secondly, network versatility is increasing, largely owing to software innovation.

A good example of novel terminal design is the portable Briefcase Viewdata unit from Tandata. This equipment, which plugs into a standard television set, uses an acoustic coupler to link users through a telephone line to Prestel or private viewdata computers.

Designed for people such as salesmen whose work involves constant travel, the device enables a temporary office to be set up with no more elaborate equipment than would be found, for example, in the average hotel room. It is calculated that Briefcase Viewdata makes it possible for a sales force to stay in the field for up to 20 percent longer than normal. The 2.2 kg unit has an optional recorder for off-line page recording and play back.

The simple integration of viewdata with another form of communication — in this case telephony — can be found in equipment such as Datacom 3000 from GEC Information System. Essentially this combines in a single enclosure the facilities of an executive push button telephone with those of a sophisticated viewdata-only receiver.

In addition to providing on its screen visual prompts for the operation of the telephone, the 3000 in its present form caters for standard viewdata display facilities, including double height, graphics, and grey-scale rendition of background color. The page numbers of up to 10 frequently used viewdata pages can be programmed into the terminal by the user.

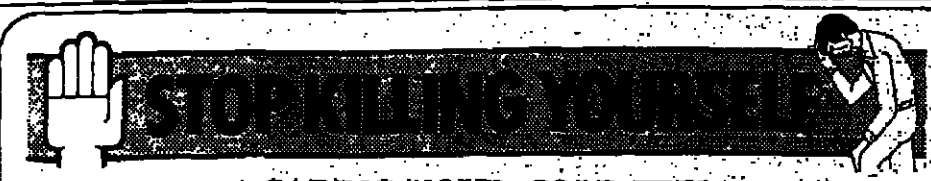
The chosen pages are then keyed without reference to the normal master page index, thus saving time and usage charges. In addition, the last page of data displayed is retained, until overwritten, when the viewdata center connection is released.

A more fundamental integration is to be found in interfaces and software which permit the reception and hard copy of viewdata information on multimode terminals whose original, single, function had nothing to do with viewdata. Thus, using software produced in the United Kingdom, Wordplex word processors are now able to access and print pages from Prestel and private viewdata systems.

British software, written originally for use in Germany's Bildschirmtext system, has also been instrumental in producing one of the most important of the new viewdata network options. Gateway software was developed by Systems Designers. It allows the connection of non-Prestel computers to the Prestel network.

Gateway, by contrast, allows instant on-line interaction between user and Information Provider and makes practicable services such as tele-shopping, electronic funds transfer and so on.

Another new network capability available on Prestel is styled Mailbox.



## CARING YOUR COLD FEET

By Peter J. Steincrohn M.D., F.A.C.P.

Dear Dr. Steincrohn: I've lived in the South all my life. We're moving to New England this winter and what I dread most is "cold feet." How can I protect myself? They get cold even when weather gets a little chilly. Otherwise, I'm a healthy person with no complaints. I'll appreciate any suggestions. — Mrs. W.

Dear Mrs. W.: Not knowing your age or the actual condition of your leg arteries, I can't even guess the reason for your cold feet. But let's assume you've been checked and there's no organic reason for your distress. Thousands of healthy people have similar complaints. According to the Farmer's Almanac and the woolly-bear caterpillar, this winter will be severe in most parts of the United States. Therefore, I think you'll be interested in some suggestions made by Dr. Arthur E. Helfand, president of the American Podiatry Association.

Podiatrists are reminding Americans that warm and dry feet will be just as important as plenty of firewood and home insulation. Dr. Helfand says: "It's not just cold alone that does the damage but the dampness that often accompanies winter temperatures. The two in combination can even lead to cases of frostbite and its serious complications. When feet become damp, it's important to change into warm and dry footwear as soon as possible."

In snowy areas, shoe boots are more comfortable than separate boots and shoes. Hose or footlets should be worn between boots and the foot to absorb perspiration and prevent chafing and blisters. Regular bathing and use of foot powder lessens chances for fungus infection (athlete's foot). Hose comfort is as important as shoe-fit. Socks too short bunch the toes. Holes bring on excess friction, causing blisters, calluses or corns. Following these suggestions, Mrs. W. will help you prepare for your move to colder climate.

## MEDICALITIES

(Replies to and from readers)

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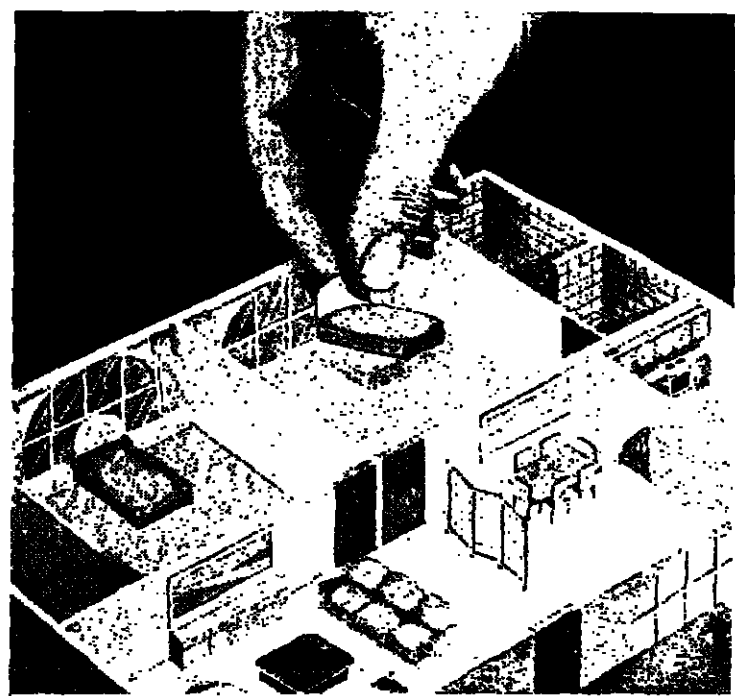
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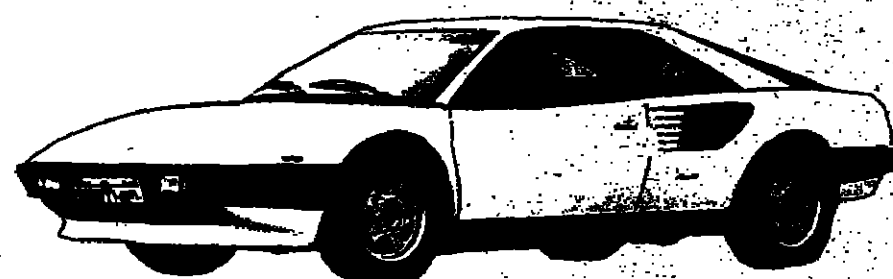
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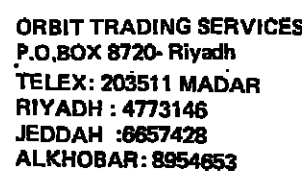
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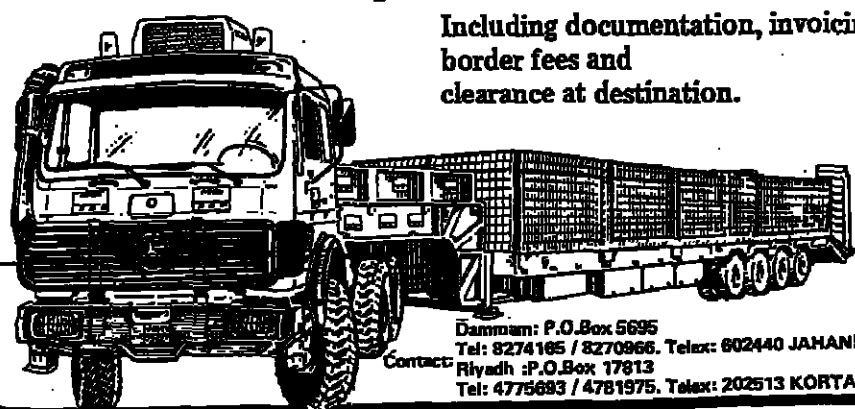
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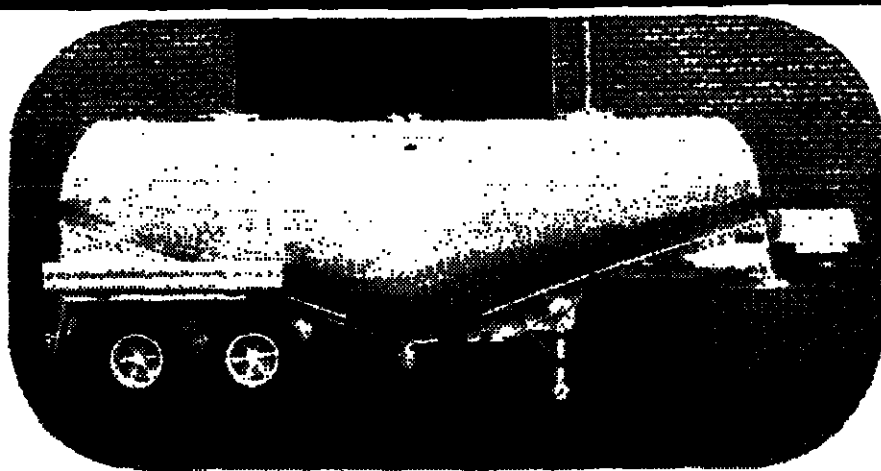
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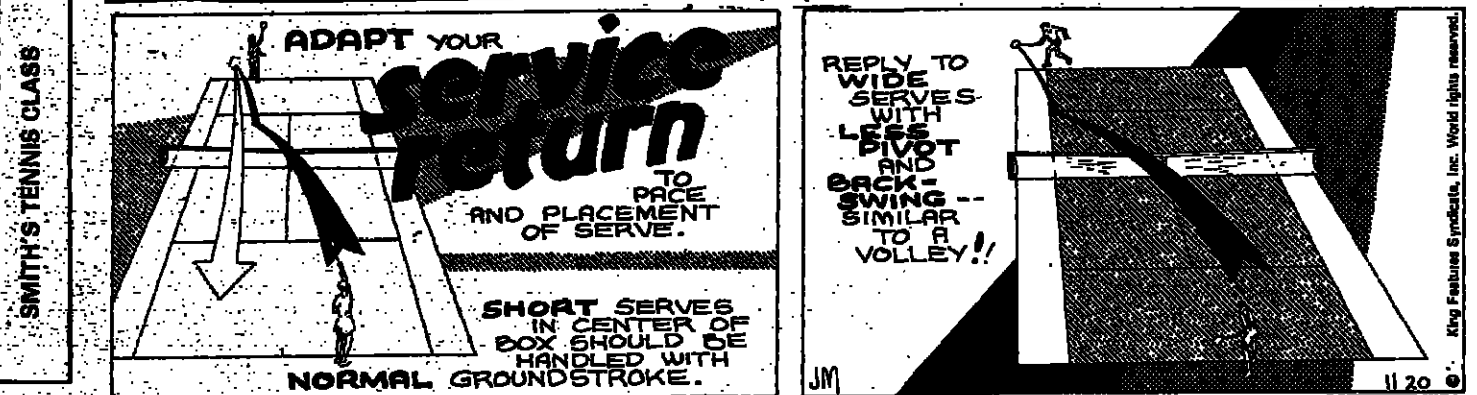
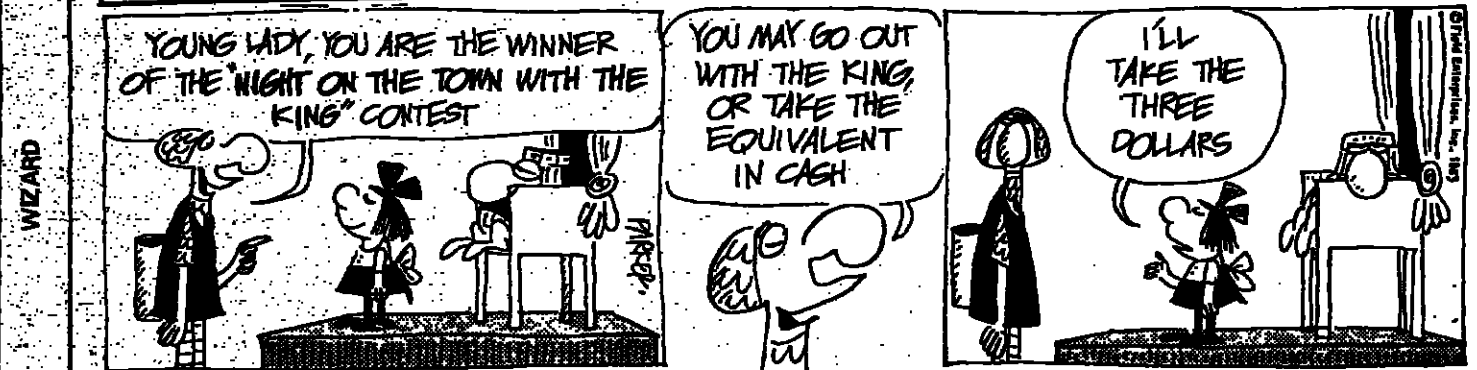
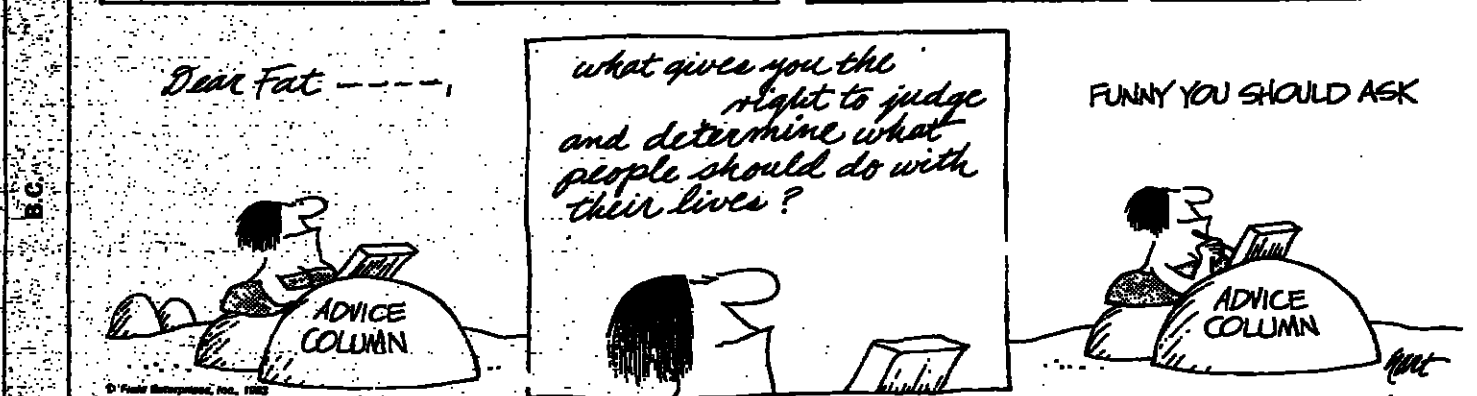
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## Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake  
FOR SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 1983

**ARIES** (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) ♈  
A somewhat restless mood makes you yearn for excitement. Meanwhile, a loved one waits to contribute to your happiness.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 20) ♉  
Some minor home difficulties are easily dealt with. A loved one introduces you to valuable contacts. Work prospects improve.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) ♊  
Try to be consistent in the opinions you voice today. In romance, words aren't necessary. You find yourself involved.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) ♋  
Relatives are helpful to you financially. However, you still have to watch spending. Domestic interests are favored.

**LEO** (July 23 to Aug. 22) ♌  
Two minds are better than one today. A close tie inspires you. Travel has romantic overtones. Creative projects go well.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) ♍  
Secrecy does not work to your advantage. Be open with those you deal with today. Finances should improve.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) ♎  
Hobbies are fulfilling, but relations with friends may be slightly strained. Others are evasive in their viewpoints.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) ♏  
Stay clear of career dealings, for not much will be accomplished. You'll have the chance to firm up a relationship.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) ♐  
Attending a club or group function could lead to romance. Travelers must try to keep expenses down. An issue is not clear cut.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) ♑  
Don't abuse credit. Still, you may find an art object that is within your budget. Career progress is indicated.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) ♒  
Though you're sure of where you stand on an issue, a close tie remains uncertain. Give others the chance to make up their minds.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20) ♓  
You need further thought about a career concern. Follow your instincts and listen to what your heart tells you in romantic matters.



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TV Programs	
<b>Saudi Arabia</b>	7:17 Telefantasia - Change Hold on to the Past
9:00 Opening, Quran	8:05 Chama: Playhouse
Family Program	8:10 Lighthouse & Anchor
Uncle Vanya	10:00 Daily Arabic Drama
Family Interview	10:00 News
Closedown	
<b>Bahrain Channel 4</b>	4:00 Holy Quran
4:00 Opening, Quran	4:20 Program Preview
Program Preview	4:25 Cartoons
Cartoons	5:00 Children's Series
Children's Series (Dubbed)	6:00 Religious Program
Children's School	7:00 Daily Arabic Series
Modern Mathematics	8:00 Arabic News
Quran and Knowledge	8:30 Local Musical Program
Learn English	9:30 Tomorrow's Program
7:00 English News	9:50 Arabic Series
7:15 Lanes	10:25 Arabic Film
Quran Seminar	
Song	
9:30 Arabic News	
Program Preview	
Song	
Daily Arabic Series	
Variety Song	
Arabic Weekly Series	
News Summary	
Closedown	
<b>Bahrain Channel 55</b>	6:00 Program Preview
6:05 Cartoons	
6:35 International Award Theater	
7:00 News	
7:30 Young Doctors	
8:00 Emergency	
8:40 RI and the Bear	
9:35 Incredible Hulk, followed by New Summary	
<b>Dubai Channel 10</b>	4:00 Holy Quran
4:15 Religious Talk	
4:30 Cartoons	
5:00 Arabic Cartoons	
5:30 Religious Talk	
6:00 Documentary	
6:30 Science & Life	

## Radio Programs

Radio Riyadh	
Riyadh AM 1224 KHz	FM 98.5 MHz
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<b>Afternoon Transmissions:</b>	
1:00 Holy Quran	
1:15 Ummah Vozes	
1:30 The week's radio	
1:40 Spanish Latin	
2:10 News	
2:30 London from words	
3:00 News	
3:30 15th Century Al Hijaz	
3:40 Hope & Music	
4:00 Closedown	
<b>Evening Transmissions:</b>	
8:00 Holy Quran	
8:15 Quran of Guidance	
8:30 The Evening News	
8:40 Around & About	
9:15 Stringband	
9:30 News	
9:50 Jazz Today	
10:20 Sports Report	
10:30 Spotlight	
11:00 Nightfall	
11:30 On the Air	
11:45 Today's Diary	
11:55 News Headlines	
12:00 Arabic Quran	
12:00 Closedown	

## BBC World Service

Morning Transmissions	
03:01 World News (ex. 1st. Bg)	01:15 What's New
03:01 1st. World News	01:30 Just a Minute
03:09 News about Britain	02:00 News about Britain
03:15 Radio Newsworld	02:15 About Britain
03:30 About Britain	02:30 Meridian
03:45 Sarah and Company (ex. 1st. What's New)	03:00 Radio Newsworld
04:00 1st. As I See It	03:15 Anything Goes
04:15 Outlook (ex. 1st)	03:45 Sports Round-up
04:45 The Final Words Collection	04:00 World News
	04:15 Network U.K.
	04:30 The World News
	04:45 News about Britain
	04:55 Radio Newsworld
	05:00 Play of the Week (1st. Forgive Me Not, Lancet; 2nd. A Small Town in Germany)
	05:00 Ring Band Sound
	05:15 News about Britain
	05:30 Sunday Special
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## Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS	
1 Ball of yarn	4 "I - to Your Wedding"
5 Blurt	5 Londoner
9 Abhor	6 Of the moon
10 Enter hastily	7 Dolt
13 Metal	8 Contemplate
14 Situated within	11 To perfection
15 Choral composition	12 Irritate
17 Profit	16 "An apple - keeps..."
18 June beetle	20 Welsh boat
19 "Krazy -"	21 Dislike
20 Unsublimed	22 Purpose
23 Charge	23 Toddler
24 Dreamy dependence	24 Maternal dependence
25 Energy unit	
26 Toward the mouth	
27 Shabby	
28 Floor covering	
29 Turf	
30 I (Ger.)	
31 Killing time	
35 Enter unseen	
36 Fragrance	
39 Make threats	
40	
41 Zane -	
42 "Blind Ambition" author	
DOWN	
1 Fashionable	
2 Christie role	
3 Jacket style	

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VIWKC NWZZ KHSHU AD QKGVIWKC.

- QKAUH XQEUDWM

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Contract Bridge: B. Jay and Steve Becker

## Bidding Quiz

You are South, both sides vulnerable. The bidding has been:

South West North East  
1♠ Pass 1♥ 1♠  
?

What would you bid now with each of the following six hands?

- ♠ Q95 ♥ Q2 ♦ K83 ♣ AQ765
- ♠ 4 ♥ KQ83 ♦ AK6 ♣ KQ873
- ♠ K7 ♥ K64 ♦ KJ5 ♣ AJ732
- ♠ KJ94 ♥ 5 ♦ A92 ♣ AKJ43
- ♠ 85 ♥ AJ74 ♦ AQ ♣ KQ652
- ♠ AJ8 ♥ Q2 ♦ A10 ♣ AQJ964

1. Pass. East's spade bid relieves you of the obligation to respond to North's heart bid. By far the simplest way of telling partner you opened a minimum is by a pass. To bid a notrump at this stage would show 15 points rather than 13, while to bid two clubs would indicate a better hand than you have.

2. Four hearts. You shouldn't be willing to play this hand under game, so you bid four hearts showing ten probable tricks even if partner has only 6 points. Three hearts would be altogether inadequate - it is not even a forcing bid.

3. Two hearts. This indicates a somewhat better than minimum opening bid. Admittedly, you'd like to have four trumps for the raise, but three is all they dealt you.

4. Double. With six probable defensive tricks in your hand, and a partner likely to contribute several more, the best contract appears to be one spade doubled by East. Some of the biggest profits in bridge are collected from hands where the opponents bite off more than they can chew.

5. Three hearts. Game prospects are good, but not good enough to insure ten tricks. All you can properly do at this point is invite partner to undertake game by giving him a jump raise. If he passes, which he might do with a bad hand, he will probably have to struggle making even nine tricks. The raise to three hearts shows 17 to 19 points, part of which may consist of distributional values.

6. Three notrump. It would be wrong to bid only two notrump or three clubs at this stage, either of which North could pass with minimum strength for his heart bid. You should feel confident of making nine tricks in notrump and disregard those comparatively few hands North might have that would nullify the chance for game. Strong action is the order of the day.

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## Solidarity issues general strike call

WARSAW, Jan. 28 (Agencies) — Top underground leaders of the banned "Solidarity" union urged Poles to prepare for a general strike, in a Jan. 22 message that reached Western news correspondents late Thursday.

A general strike was "inevitable" and would be "the strongest weapon" to make the Communist regime compromise with the population, the statement said. But it also advised other means of resistance: Boycotts of all associations backing the authorities, "social support committees" to feed Poles who might be sacked for refusing to join official trade unions, and it demanded that labor legislation in each enterprise be respected to the letter.

## China assures Sihanouk on Cambodia

BANGKOK, Jan. 28 (Agencies) — China has promised it will never compromise with the Soviet Union over the conflict in which they back rival forces in Cambodia. Prince Norodom Sihanouk said here Friday.

Prince Sihanouk, who heads a Peking-supported tripartite coalition government opposing the present Cambodian King Samrin regime backed up by some 150-180,000 Vietnamese troops, was speaking at a press conference here one week after he arrived here.

The prince lambasted the "illegal decision by Cuban President Fidel Castro" that vacated Cambodia's seat at the last nonaligned conference in Havana in 1979. He said he would be ready to appear at the March 7-11 conference in New Delhi if invited at a "24 hours' notice," with a special plane standing by to take him from Pyongyang.

He announced he would in the future spend three months a year evenly in four areas — Pyongyang and Peking, countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Cambodian border, Europe and Africa, and New York where he would lead his delegation to the U.N. each year.

The clandestine statement appealed to the International Labor Organization (ILO) to send observers to the trial of seven Solidarity leaders arrested last Dec. 23 on charges of plotting against the state. Their arrest was "vengeance by the totalitarian government" for the establishment of the Solidarity Union Confederation, which "amounts to the end of the actual system based on non-respect of the law."

"The indictment of representatives democratically elected by a union of 10 million members is equivalent to putting on trial the whole Solidarity union, the August 1980 agreements (allowing independent unions), and the process of democratization that they started," the statement said.

It was signed by Bogdan Lis, Solidarity's former number two leader, Zbigniew Bujak, head of its Warsaw district branch, and by Jozef Pionir, Eugeniusz Szumieko and Wladyslaw Hardek. It was the first message from the underground national coordinating committee of the banned union since martial law ended last Dec. 31.

The committee charged that the current transfer of Solidarity property to the officially-sponsored unions was "theft." The statement said the goal of a general strike and other forms of resistance was "a self-managed republic" where authorities would be "subject to social supervision." That would "not be contrary to the idea of socialism" or to the existing international order. Poland's Communist allies should not approve of "a generally-detested dictatorship that gives this country no hope for development. The time is approaching when the strike weapon will become a real means of struggle again."

Meanwhile, Pope John Paul II will travel to his native Poland in June as planned, Polish Archbishop Jozef Glemp said in Rome Friday.

Glemp also told a radio interviewer that he was more optimistic regarding Poland's internal situation than he was when he was last in Rome a month ago. He said he hoped that "a sort of historic compromise" would be reached that would improve life in the country.

## Italian law on Brigades lapses today

ROME, Jan. 28 (R) — A controversial Italian law which played a big role in the recent crackdown on Red Brigades guerrillas by encouraging them to become informers will cease to be valid from Saturday, a justice ministry spokesman said Friday.

He said the government would not prolong the so-called "pentiti" (repentants) law under which members of the leftist Brigades who confessed or gave tip-offs to the authorities were granted lighter sentences. "There is now a feeling that the law has served its purpose and the Brigades are no longer a sufficiently serious threat to warrant it," the spokesman said.

The measure, attacked by several leading magistrates as unconstitutional but hailed by the police as vital to their assault on the Brigades, was first put forward by the government in 1980 and officially enacted in May of last year. It is a year Friday since U.S. Gen. James Dozier was freed from a Red Brigades "people's prison" in the first rescue of one of their hostages. A wave of arrests followed and the guerrilla group has not mounted a major operation since.

The leftist newspaper *La Repubblica* Thursday published documents sent from prison by the founders of the 15-year-old Red Brigades in which they said the armed struggle against the state was over.

## Dhaka begins poll enumeration

DHAKA, Jan. 28 (AP) — The Bangladesh government started enumerations throughout the nation to count eligible voters in preparation of new electoral rolls, a top election commissioner said Friday.

Chief Election Commissioner Nurul Islam said the electoral commission was prepared to hold local elections by November. However, he said there was no official word from government leaders on the precise date of polls. All males and females who were 18 years of age Jan. 2, 1983 are eligible as voters.

The last electoral rolls published in 1972 counted 35.2 million voters.



CRASH: Only the tail section remains intact on the B-52 bomber that exploded and burned Thursday at Grand Forks Air Force base during a routine maintenance check.

## 5 die as B-52 explodes

GRAND FORKS, North Dakota, Jan. 28 (AFP) — The fuel tank of a B-52 strategic bomber exploded here Thursday killing five persons and injuring eight, an official said.

The cause of the explosion, which destroyed most of the fuselage, was not known, the official added. The bomber was not carrying nuclear weapons at the time of the accident, which occurred shortly after it completed a mission and ground staff were carrying out a routine examination of the

plane, the official added. The explosion was the worst accident in the history of the Grand Forks Base, the spokesman said.

In 1980, another B-52 caught fire without causing any victims.

At the time, military authorities refused to say whether the bomber was carrying nuclear weapons, but commented that a fire could not set off a nuclear bomb.

Last Dec. 16, an unarmed B-52 crashed in California, killing nine crewmen aboard.

## India, Nigeria stress role of nonaligned countries

NEW DELHI, Jan. 28 (R) — India and Nigeria said Friday that nonaligned countries represented the only real hope for steering the world toward peace and security.

A joint communique said Nigerian President Shugu Shagari and Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi had wide-ranging talks on international issues during Shagari's four-day visit which ended Friday. Many of the issues mentioned in the communique appeared to be topics likely to come up for discussions at the summit of the 97-member nonaligned movement to be held here in March.

On Afghanistan, the two leaders called for a political settlement on the basis of the withdrawal of foreign troops and respect for the country's independence and nonaligned status.

On Southern Africa, they reiterated their opposition to any linkage between the achievement of Namibian (South West African) independence and the withdrawal of Cuban troops from Angola, the communique said. In international relations represented the one real hope for steering the world toward peace and security.

Mrs. Gandhi and Shagari agreed that the stock-piling of weapons, particularly nuclear, posed a threat to the survival of mankind.

On the Iraq-Iran war, the statement said they earnestly hoped mediation efforts would soon bring an end to hostilities. The two leaders expressed alarm at the tense situation in the Middle East as a result of "Israeli violation of Lebanese sovereignty."

## China to punish marriage swindlers

PEKING, Jan. 28 (AFP) — Marriages contracted for purely opportunistic reasons should be heavily penalized, the newspaper *Gongren Ribao* (workers' daily) said here Thursday.

The paper, which lashed out against marriage "swindlers" who abuse "socialist morality," cited the case of one young woman who agreed to marry if her fiancé found her a job, but filed for a divorce as soon as she had it. Her husband-to-be had found a position for the girl by obtaining early retirement for his mother.

## Nujoma visits North Korea

PYONGYANG, Jan. 28 (Agencies) — Sam Nujoma, president of the South West Africa People's Organization, arrived here after a five-day visit to China.

Nujoma told a news conference in Peking Thursday that China will provide "arms and ammunition of all kinds" for Namibia's fight for independence from South Africa.

Meanwhile, diplomatic sources said in Luanda that a new round of talks between Angola and South Africa on the Namibian question are only at a preliminary stage. The sources said that reports by the Portuguese news agency ANOP that the talks had already begun were in error, and if Angolan and South African representatives were currently in Cape Verde, the presumed site of

negotiations, it would be to prepare a meeting at a higher level.

(Diplomatic sources at the United Nations said Wednesday that Adriaan Eksteen, South Africa's former ambassador to the U.N., had arrived in Cape Verde, and the foreign ministry in Pretoria confirmed that a representative would go to the West African archipelago this week to discuss "among other things the suitability of a place and time for the next meeting.") A well-informed Angolan source also described as "hasty" ANOP's report that Angola and South Africa had agreed to a ceasefire, involving withdrawal of Cuban and SWAPO forces to a line 200 kilometers north of the Namibian border.

## Pershing test meets objectives

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28 (AP) — The U.S. Defense Department said Thursday that a Pershing II missile test range mission "achieved test objectives" in its 1,284 km flight from Cape Canaveral, Florida, last Friday.

Army Maj. Jerry Hensley said, "It was a successful test." The first in four attempts, Defense Department spokesman Henry Catto told a briefing, the analysis of data gathered from the flight "confirmed that the Pershing II missile... achieving test objectives."

After the flight last Friday, the army said only that it appeared to the normal, but avoided claiming success. Last November the army made such a claim only to back track within a few days to acknowledge failure of a maneuvering mechanism. Hensley said the Pershing test last Friday was intended to demonstrate performance of the missile, its propulsion system, and "terminal maneuver" of the dummy warhead, as well as a long-range flight of the weapon.

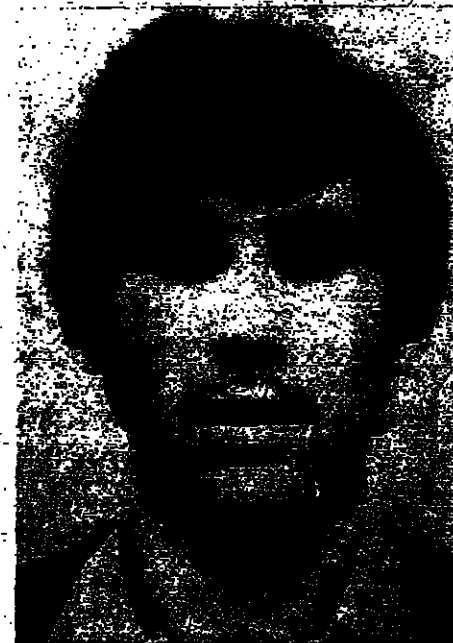
Special attention has been placed on testing of the Pershing II because it is one of two weapons likely to be deployed in Western Europe starting late this year as a counter to deployment of advanced intermediate range nuclear-tipped SS-20 missiles.

## Human chain plan to block U.K. missile

LONDON, Jan. 28 (AP) — Opponents of NATO nuclear missiles scheduled for deployment in Britain this year announced plans Friday to form a 25-km human chain in protest.

The Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament said some 40,000 persons would link arms March 31 in a human chain to break the nuclear chain stretching from Buffalo Royal Ordnance Factory, where Britain's own nuclear weapons are made, to the U.S. air force base at Greenham Common, 80 km west of London.

CND also said protesters would try to block entrances to the Greenham Common Base, where NATO is planning to place its cruise missiles by the end of this year.



## Top murderer held in Milan

MILAN, Jan. 28 (AP) — Diego Forasteri, wanted for four murders and considered one of the most dangerous leftist terrorists, has been arrested in this northern city, police reported Thursday.

They gave no details on when and how he was captured. The 33-year-old Forasteri, who has been sought since he escaped from a prison in northern Piacenza in October 1980, was serving a 24-year prison term for several terrorist attacks. Forasteri, a member of the Front Line (Prima Linea) urban guerrilla gang, was sought on 20 warrants charging him with four murders, armed robbery and other crimes.

He was one of four front line members charged with the February 1980 killing of Paolo Paoletti, manager of the Swiss-owned Isotta chemical plant in Seveso. The gang had said the murder was in "retaliation" for pollution disaster in the Milan suburb in July 1976 when a toxic cloud leaked from the plant following an accidental explosion.

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